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Battle Begins In Imphal Plain

Allies Capture Jap Position After Hand-To-Hand Fighting

ASSAM-BURMA FRONT, April 13.

For the first time Japanese forces are found fighting north-west of Imphal, says D. R. Mankekar, A. P. I. War Correspondent.

To-day's S.-E. A. C. Communique refers to an action that "developed in the foothills to the north-west of the Imphal plain" and says "after heavy hand-to-hand fighting, we captured a position".

SEMI-CIRCLE ROUND IMPHAL

So far all the fighting on the Imphal front was contained in the semi-circle east of the line formed by the Manipur Road in the north and Tiddim Road in the south with the Imphal Plain as its centre. The fighting zone stretched as far north as Kohima in the north and as far south as 37 miles from Imphal in the south down Tiddim Road.

With the reported appearance now of Jap forces north-west of Imphal as well as south-west, it is apparent that the enemy ambition is to throw a hoop round the vast 700-square-mile Imphal plain by completing his circle round it.

The Jap column reported pushing towards the Bishenpur Road, however, was met by our forces on April 10 and decimated only six miles from that road. The remnants of that column were yesterday reported to have retired in the hills before resuming the push towards the Bishenpur track, the only land outlet from Imphal after the cutting of the Manipur highway.

ALLIED COMMUNIQUE

NEW DELHI, April 13: On the Arakan Front normal activity continued during April 12, says to-day's Allied War 'communique.'

On the Imphal-Tiddim road, contact was maintained with the enemy. Operations were confined to patrolling and artillery fire.

An action developed in the foothills to the north-west of the Imphal plain. After heavy hand-to-hand fighting we captured a position.

In the Kohima area no further developments are reported and the situation shows improvement. Our operations to clear the road in this vicinity continued.

American infantry fighting in difficult terrain in the Kumon range, east of the Mogaung Valley have driven the Japanese from Nhpum with heavy casualties to the enemy. Our levies ambushing a party of forty Japanese in the Fort Hertz area near Maran, killed nine Japanese.

South of the Panglu river in the Mogaung valley, Chinese troops have advanced and are in contact with the enemy. The Chinese continue to reduce the Japanese pocket near the Hpalu river.

The Chinese column driving south in the hills west of the Mogaung valley has dislodged the Japanese from strong positions south of Pumsin, capturing much enemy equipment.

PROME AND MOULMEIN BOMBED

Heavy bombers of the Strategic Air Force attacked Moulmein on the night of April 12/13, scoring hits and starting fires in the railway station and jetty areas and among the rice mills in town. Prome was also bombed.

Fighter bombers of the Tactical Air Force supporting ground operations on April 11, started large fires and caused one violent explosion among enemy installation north of Mogaung. Other attacks were carried out in the Kamaing and Myitkyina areas, and at Taungni.

The Air Commando Force successfully dive-bombed the railway area north of Mawlu.

Long-range fighters in daylight on April 12 continued their offensive on supply lines and river-craft.

In one attack on the Thanbya-Aing bridge much debris was observed.

WHAT WITHHOLD JAP OFFENSIVE

Four consecutive days of reduced activity in Imphal and Kohima areas raise one or two questions which call for an answer, says an A. P. I correspondent at the S.E.A.C. H.Q.

Are enemy troops worn out or are they short of ammunition? It may be presumed that the Japanese are able to find food on the land but ammunition must be transported by mule or porter. And it may well be that the Japanese troops are left with just sufficient ammunition to defend themselves, and pending the arrival of more they are unable to take offensive action. It is very unlike the Japanese to sit still in any area unless under some overriding compulsion.—A. P.

Japs To Remove Burmese Buddhist Relics

SIMLA, April 13: Buddhist relics and precious stones, many of them said to be 2,000-year-old, are to be taken from Pagodas in Burma to Japan.

The action, say the Japanese, is the outcome of a desire on the part of the Burmese and themselves to cement the religious ties between the two countris, and the relics will be enshrined in a Pagoda to be built in Tokyo on a model of the famous Botatoung Pagoda, says a Press Note.

For centuries these relics have been jealously guarded and worshipped by Burmese Buddhists, who have always shown a strong resentment to part with them.

The Japanese further say that the relics are being taken to Japan for "safe-keeping" only but are silent on the question of their return to their owners after the war.—A. P.

TIGHTENING UP CENSORSHIP

CALCUTTA, April 13

Solely in the interest of military security the Government of India find it imperative to exercise their powers of censorship in respect of non-official internal postal and telegraphic correspondence and issue warning that anyone found guilty of serious breach of security in the course of correspondence will be severely dealt with, announces a Press 'communique' issued by the Public Relations Directorate.

The 'Communique' draws attention to some of more important matters which must not be conveyed in private postal and telegraphic correspondence namely (1) location of numbers or movements of Convoys, Naval Military or Air Force Units, detachments of ships, arrival or non-arrival of reinforcements, (2) armaments or equipments of any kind, (3) distinguishing signs for identification or formations of units and their transport, (4) communications, (5) details of damage or casualties caused by enemy action in military installations and major public utility concerns.—United Press.

FIRE AT COTTON GREEN

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Several bales of cotton lying outside a godown at Cotton Green Sewri were gutted this afternoon sustaining a damage of about Rs. 30,000.

Fire fighters rushed to the spot and put out the fire in about a couple of hours.

The bales, it is learnt had been insured.

GUJERAT LOCAL BODIES REFUSE TO FUNCTION

Protest Against Deadlock And Support National Demand For Popular Govt.

SURAT, April 13

The Surat Municipality at its meeting this evening passed a resolution stating that they will cease to function forthwith as they feel that no local self-government institution can discharge its normal functions in the true interests of the people with independence and self-respect as steps have not been taken to negotiate with Mahatma Gandhi and other leaders of public opinion to create the necessary political atmosphere.

The resolution was moved by the Congress Party as special business and was passed by 34 votes to 9. Six members were absent and one remained neutral.

AHMEDABAD CITY FATHERS' DECISION

SURAT, April 13: The Ahmedabad Municipality also passed the same resolution this evening by 52 votes to 12 after a heated discussion lasting nearly three hours. The Muslim League Party which consists of 12 members stoutly opposed the resolution.

The resolution was expected to be discussed at a few other local bodies in Gujarat which have been captured by Congress nominees in the recent election.

The resolution was agreed upon at a meeting of the Gujarat Local Bodies' Central Board on Monday last. The leaders of the Congress parties in the various local bodies were present at the meeting. The draft resolution was approved after a long discussion.

SUPPORT TO NATIONAL DEMAND

It is learnt that there was a small body of members who were in favour of working the municipalities and local boards but ultimately the meeting decided to stand by the pledge they gave to the electors namely "that they will function properly and adequately in an atmosphere of full freedom and that they will support the National Demand for the immediate establishment of a popular National Government which will function in the interest of the Indian people as a whole."

It is thought that after the passing of the resolution by these local bodies, there are two courses open to the authorities, namely, the suspension of these bodies and the nomination of a managing commitee or supercession and appointment of an Administrative Officer.—A. P.

CONGRESSMAN ACQUITTED

BURDWAN, April 12: Dr. Krishna Kinkar Samantha, a Congress worker of Kosa, P. S. Monteswar, has been acquitted of a charge of dacoity (under Section 395, I.P.C.) by the District and Sessions Judge of Burdwan, Mr. K. C. Das Gupta.

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AHMEDABAD D. L. B. FALLS IN LINE

AHMEDABAD, April 13: The Ahmedabad District Local Board also passed the resolution not to function and adjourned 'sine die' by 34 against nine votes.

REDS TAKE SIMFEROPOL

MOSCOW, April 13: Simferopol has been captured, says an order of the day by M. Stalin.

Finns Ask For Better Terms

Parliament Will Instruct Govt. To Continue Peace Talks With Moscow

LONDON, April 13.

Reuter's special correspondent at Stockholm says that preliminary reports from Helsinki of Tuesday's meeting of the Social Democrat Party Council said that they agreed that in their present form the Russian conditions were unacceptable.

It is expected that the Parliament will instruct the Government to try to continue the negotiations in order to obtain a modification of the Russian conditions.

MINERS ACCEPT GOVT.'S FOUR-YEAR PAY PLAN

LONDON, April 13: Miners' leaders from all British coalfields to-day empowered their Executive Committee to accept the Government's four year pay plan for mine-workers and conclude a new agreement to secure "peace" in the industry.

This virtual "vote of confidence" in the executive was passed by 512,000 votes to 97,000 (the votes represent Trade Union membership represented as cast by individual delegates).

The "peace pact" offered by the Government and now accepted after a harassing series of coal strikes provides guaranteed minimum wages with stability extending over at least the next four years.

Labour Lord Backs Editors' Plea To Viceroy

LONDON April 13.

Lord Ammon (formerly Charles Ammon, Labour, M.P.), in an interview with Our Correspondent said he welcomed the letter written by the Indian Editors to the Viceroy.

As a member of the Commons he urged H. M.'s Government to risk the possible lack of face by granting facilities to the detained Indian Leaders to hold consultations. The gesture would be worth the while and its effect on world opinion would do credit to H. M.'s Government.

Journalist Deposits Security

BOMBAY, Thursday: The "United Press" has been informed that the security of Rs. 1,000 demanded recently by the Bombay Government from the 'Journalist' was duly deposited and the journal will be published as usual.—United Press.

SECURITY PRISONER RELEASED

AHMEDNAGAR, April 13: Mr. Binqumadhava Shastri Pandit, who was a security prisoner in Nasik Central Jail has been released unconditionally. Mr. Pandit is a member of the Board of Indian System of Medicine. United Press.

13 STUDENTS ARRESTED

KOLHAPUR, April 12: Thirteen students residing at the Digamber Jain Students' Hostel were arrested last night under 336 and 353 I.P.C and D.I.R. 6 (B). It is alleged that they jeered and threw stones at a police party, while it was marching back to headquarters.—A. P.

Price Of Milk To Be Raised By Two Annas

The price of milk in Bombay will be raised by two annas per seer with effect from Sunday. The proprietors of 15 dairies in Bombay have already intimated their customers of the contemplated increase in the price to 14 annas per seer.

ALLIES PROTEST TO SPAIN

Sequel To Seizure Of Petrol Belonging To Anglo-American Companies

LONDON, April 13.

From Reuter's diplomatic correspondent:

The British Government has, it is authoritatively confirmed in London to-day, made strong representations to the Spanish Government through Sir Samuel Hoare, the British Ambassador in Madrid, regarding the seizure by Spanish authorities of stocks of petrol belonging to the Anglo-American Shell and Vacuum Oil Companies in Tetuan, Spanish Morocco.

Similar representations have, it is understood, been made by the U. S. Government through their Ambassador.

The seized stocks are believed to be small and the Spanish authorities' action is said to follow the refusal of the oil companies to pay a special tax, which was imposed following the imposition of an oil ban by the U. S. Government at the end of January. This ban on Spanish oil supplies from the Caribbean area is still in force.

The whole matter is at present being discussed in Madrid and a solution is hoped shortly.

TURKEY & GERMANY

On the subject of crome shipments to the Axis by Turkey the British point of view has been presented to the Turkish Government by the British Ambassador in Ankara, Sir Knatchbull-Hugessen.

U. S. OIL COMPANIES SEEK GOVT. HELP

British Aid To Arabia Makes Them Fear Loss Of Concessions

WASHINGTON, April 12.

American oil companies in Arabia had sought Government aid because they feared that the British might take over their concessions, the United States Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, told the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee to-day.

The companies had been unable to operate to any great extent but had made some payments to the Saudi Arabian Government in anticipation of royalties totalling several million dollars.

Colonel Knox added "The Arabian Government was calling on the British for help and the British advanced considerable sums of money. Eventually the American companies (Standard Oil of California and Texas Company) became a little alarmed over the situation".—Reuter.

Red Planes Set Constanza Ablaze

MOSCOW, April 12.

Heavy bombers of the Red Air Force on Tuesday night raided Constanza, the Rumanian Black Sea port. The port, railway junction and an oil plant were bombed.

Large fires were accompanied by explosions. A considerable part of the port was enveloped in flames. In an oil centre several fires were started causing violent explosions.—Reuter.

NAZI RAIDERS OVER ENGLAND

LONDON, April 13: Before midnight last night there was little enemy activity over south-east England, the Home Counties and the Greater London area. Bombs were dropped and slight damage and a small number of casualties have been reported. One aircraft was destroyed.

R.A.F. OVER EUROPE

The Air Ministry announced: "Bostons and 'Mitchells' of the Second Tactical Air Force taking off at dawn this morning attacked military objectives on the coast of Northern France. The attack was successful and several hits were claimed. One of our medium bombers is missing."

The Air Ministry announced: "Last night squadron of 'Mosquitoes' attacked Osnabruck (an important railway junction 70 miles west of Hanover). Many mines were laid in enemy waters. Two of our aircraft are missing."

U. S. 'Liberators' and 'Fortresses' reported the destruction of 10 German aircraft in air battles during yesterday's heavy bomber operations.

The final tabulation of the fighter reports showed 16, one more than previously reported, shot down bringing the German losses for the day to 26 in the air.

The U. S. European Headquarters announced that a strong force of U. S. Marauder medium bombers attacked targets in Northern France and Belgium this morning including the railway junction at Namur.—Reuter.

BIG RAID BY U. S. BOMBERS

Aircraft plants at Augsburg and Oberpfaffenhofen, Luftwaffe installations at Lechfeld and ball-bearing works at Schweinfurt were attacked by strong forces of Liberators and Flying Fortresses, it is stated at the American Headquarters this afternoon.

R.A.F. Mosquitoes dropped a great number of high-explosive bombs including 15 four thousand-pound blockbusters on Osnabruck during a night, said an Air Ministry Bulletin today. Asnabruck, with a population of 100,000 is a large railway centre junction of four main lines and it also contains important steel plants.

When Allies Enter Rome

Umberto To Replace King Victor Emmanuel

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent at Naples)

King Victor Emmanuel has appointed his son Crown Prince Umberto to the post of Lt. General of Italy, which appointment is to become effective when the Allies enter Rome.

The King announced his decision in a broadcast to the Italian people in which he said: "The Italian people know that I have always been at their side in difficult times and in happy times. They know that eight months ago I put an end to the Fascist regime and brought Italy in spite of every danger and risk to the side of the United Nations in the struggle for liberation against Nazism."

The King continued: "The Italian Navy, Air Force and Army, obedient to my call, have during the past eight months been fighting undauntedly against the enemy shoulder to shoulder with the Allied forces. The Italian contribution to victory is great and shall be even greater. The day will come when we shall once more take our place as a free people among free nations. Putting into effect what I suggested to the Allied authorities and to my Government I have decided to withdraw from public affairs and appoint my son the Prince of Piedmont Lt.-General of the Realm. This appointment will become effective by a formal transfer of power on the day on which Allied troops enter Rome. This decision, which I firmly believe furthers national unity is final and irrevocable."

WILL ROME BE SAVED?

MADRID, April 12.

General Count Francisco Jordana the Spanish Foreign Minister, stated to-day that there were reasonable hopes for believing that the City of Rome would be saved.

He told the newspaper "Ya" that although a complete solution of the problem had not yet been reached "it can be said that the situation has improved and that reasons for harbouring hopes are well founded".

General Jordana declared that the Spanish Foreign Ministry has been exploring the position for months before the Rome situation reached its present stage.

The Pope's worries, he said, were Spain's worries. Spain was anxious that the city of Rome should be treated as in the zone of protection of the Vatican State. Negotiations were proceeding.—Reuter.

NAPLES, April 11.

All the leading Allied authories connected with the political situation in Italy have been conferring since yesterday, (Monday) morning in a villa close to King Victor Emmanuel's present residence.

Vallabhbhai's Daughter Brought To Kadod

KADOD, April 11: Miss Maniben Patel, daughter of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, and Srimati Icchabhen Desai who were arrested at Haripura were brought here.

A procession of the people of Kadod followed the police party escorting them up to the police chowky where it garlanded the prisoners with khadar yarn.

Miss Manibhen Patel and Srimati Ichhaben Desai will be taken to Bardoli to-day.

Congressmen Jailed

CALICUT, April 11: The Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Calicut, has sentenced Krishnan Nair Unni Nair Gopalan and Damodaran, Congress workers to undergo two years' R. I. under D.I.R. 38 (5) and to six months' S. I. each under Sections 12 and 13 Indian Press Emergency Act for keeping a Press without making the necessary declaration and for publishing the newspaper "Swatanthra Bharat," published by Kerala P.C.C. without publishing the name of the printer and publisher.—A. P.

Two Congress Workers Acquitted

BOMBAY, Thursday

On a charge of intimidation and shouting National songs and "Mahatma Gandhi-ki Jai", two persons Vandrawan M. Mehta and Shanti Premchand were arrested near Charni Road junction on 9-8-43.

Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, while acquitting the accused observed 'In my opinion there is no implication of any threat or intimidation much less any obstruction or use of violence to the shop-keepers." On the other hand, the Magistrate remarked, the shopkeepers were doing their business and no shop was closed.

As the prosecution case is not free from doubt, he gave the benefit of doubt and acquitted the two accused.

M.L.C.'S APPEAL ALLOWED

SALEM, April 12: The Additional Sessions Judge of Salem passed orders allowing an appeal preferred by Mr. S. K. Sadgopa Mudliar, M.L.C., against his conviction and fine of Rs. 55 under Section 188 of the I.P.C. for allegeo disobedience of a prohibitory order banning meetings, and processions. The accused was charged with having led a procession organised to celebrate a thanksgiving meeting on the occasion of Gandhiji's fast last year. The Judge allowed the appeal and ordered refund of fine paid.—United Press

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MAY)

NEW YORK, April 13.

Previous Closing	21.11
To-day's Opening	21.08
Difference	—.03
To-day's Closing	21-08
Difference	—.03

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, April 13.

Stock Exchange opening prices:—
General Motors dol. 57-3/4.
Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 25.
U.S. Steel Corporation Common dol. 61-1/8
Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

BLOCKADE OF CRIMEA BY AIR AND SEA

Soviet Troops Battering At Approaches To Capital: Feodosia Captured

MOSCOW, April 13.

Reuter's staff correspondent cables:

The Germas Rumanian debacle in the Crimea is to-day nearing its climax.

The peninsula is blockaded from the sea and air while Soviet troops are battering at the approaches to the capital Simperopol and preparing to sweep along the highway to Sebastopol.

Feodosia has been captured states M. Stalin's order of the day.

The Blacksea fleet is ready to pounce in the event of the Germans making any large scale attempt at evacuation from Sebastopol.

Far away to the north, in the eastern part of Sivash the liquidation of a group of about 2,000 trapped Germans is rapidly coming to an end. These troops were originally caught by Soviet armour breaking into the Crimea but tanks have long since speeded south leaving infantry to finish the job for them.

PLIGHT OF GERMAN TROOPS AT JASSY

MOSCOW, April 13: The position of the German troops at Jassy, which is an important railway town in Bessarabia, is "desperate", said the 'Pravda' to-day. "Our troops have considerably improved their communication lines inside Rumania and worsened those of the enemy", the newspaper added.—Reuter.

"DISENGAGING MOVES"

LONDON, April 13: A German Communique today reported 'disengaging moves' in the northern part of the Crimea and on the Isthmus north-east of Feodosia.—Reuter.

Soviet-New Zealand Diplomatic Relations

LONDON, April 13: As a result of negotiations between the High Commissioner for New Zealand, Mr. William J. Jordan, and the Soviet Ambassador in Great Britain M. Fyodor Gusiev, an exchange of notes took place to-day concerning the establishment of diplomatic relations and exchange of Envoys Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary between the Governments of New Zealand and the Soviet Union.

Hitherto New Zealand interests in the Soviet Union have been represented by the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

WALLACE'S MISSION TO CHINA

WASHINGTON, April 12.

President Roosevelt has decided that Vice-President Henry Wallace should visit China and use his official capacity in promoting unity among the warring Chinese factions, says the "Washington Post" to-day.

"In addition to repaying the recent visit to the United States by Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek, Mr. Wallace will seek to bring Chinese Generals together under the leadership of General Chiang-Kai-Shek. He is expected to visit Russia later in the year" the "Post" declares.—Reuter.

Kerala Journalists Sentenced To Jail

CALICUT, April 12: The Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Calicut, delivered judgment, sentencing Krishnan Nair, Unni Nair, Gopalam and Damodaran, all Congress workers to undergo two years' rigorous imprisonment under Rule 38 (5) of the Defence of India Rules and to six months' simple imprisonment under Sections 12 and 13 of the Indian Press Emergency Act for keeping a Press without making a declaration before a magistrate and for publishing the "Swatantra Bharatam", newspaper of the Keral Provincial Congress Committee without publishing the name of the printer and publisher.

The period of simple imprisonment has to be undergone by the accused after the term of rigorous imprisonment under the Defence of India Rules.—United Press.

"National Week" Convictions

(From Our Correspondent)

VILE PARLE, April 13.

Mr. Jayendra Desai, who was arrested on 10th inst., for leading a silent procession in celebration of the "Martyr's Day" was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment yesterday.

The case of Mr. Jyotindra K. Desai who was arrested on the 11th inst., has been postponed.

CONGRESS WORKERS RELEASED

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Five more Congress workers of the district have been released unconditionally today.

The Bombay Government, it is understood recently discussed important problems regarding grain and coal with various District Collectors.

INDIANS BEAR BRUNT OF NAZI PATROLS

ALLIED HQ., ITALY, April 13

From Reuter's Special Correspondent:—

Fighting was most active near the Adriatic sea where German patrols were aggressive against sectors defended by Indian formations. Brisk patrol engagements south-east and east of Guardiagrele resulted in a few casualties on each side.

Allied gunners shelled Germans apparently laying mines in the Garigliano river with the possible object of destroying Allied bridges. Fifth Army gunners have destroyed at least half the bridge at Formia, the main supply route for Germans opposing Allied troops in the coastal sector.

BLOCKBUSTERS HIT BUDAPEST RAILYARD

Patrol Activity On All Italian Fronts

LONDON, April 13.

The Mediterranean Allied Force advance Headquarters: Today's Allied Communique states: "LAND: Patrol clashes occurred on all fronts. Small-scale attacks against troops of the Eighth Army were repulsed. Casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

AIR: Yesterday large forces of escorted heavy bombers attacked air component factories at Wienerneustadt, Badwnslau and Fischamend. Others attacked the railyards at Zagreb and a factory at Split. Medium-bombers made attacks on bridges on mail rail systems north of Rome at Attigliano, Orvieto, Cecina and Albenga. Fighter aircraft struck at supply dumps, rail and road traffic, other railway bridges and shipping off the east-coast of Italy.

RAID ON BUDAPEST

Last night medium-bombers made an attack on Budapest with good results.

During the day at least 31 enemy aircraft were destroyed. Fourteen of ours are missing.

Twenty enemy aircraft were sighted during the daylight hours over the battle area".

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent)

Four thousand lbs blockbusters were dropped on Budapest for the first time early this morning when R.A.F. Wellingtons from Italy again attacked the Hungarian capital's railyards. There was some haze over the target when the Wellingtons arrived but the crews were able to see the blockbusters and many other types of high-explosive and incendiary bombs hit the yards. Sticks fell among hundreds of goods trucks while one of the largest fires sprang up possibly from an oildump.

AIR BATTLES OVER LAKE BALATON

The German News Agency reported that U.S. bombers flew into Hungary at midday today and air battles were fought over north of Lake Balaton. Reuter adds it is probable that a day raid on Hungary was carried out by aircraft flying from Italian bases.

EARL OF LONSDALE DEAD

Sportsman, Athlete And Authority On Bloodstock

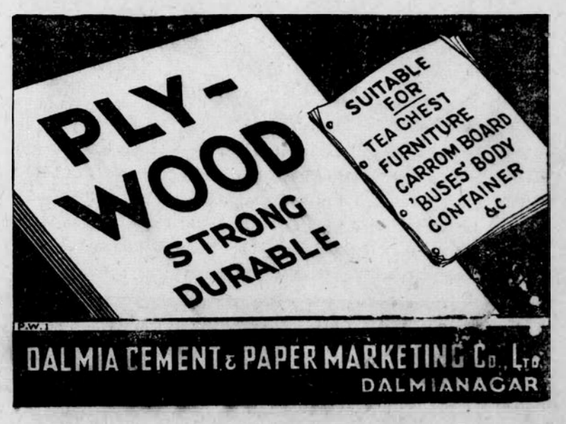
LONDON, April 13.

The Earl of Lonsdale died this morning at the age of 87.

Lord Lonsdale has been for over half a century an outstanding personality in Britain's sporting life and greatest all-round sportman British aristocracy has ever produced. He was a picturesque figure, invariably clad in a grey frock coat and grey top hat, and attended every big sporting event.

Lord Lonsdale who was himself a fine all-round athlete in earlier days, was one of the country's greatest authorities on bloodstock and St. Leger was among the many famous races won by his horses. Though accustomed to mix with Kings and Nobility, he was amazingly popular among the poorer classes for whom he showed utmost democratic friendliness.—Reuter

Maulana Abdul Qadir Sahib Radayuni Mufti-e-Azad Adalte Aliya Hyderabad (Dn.) will arrive in Bombay on Saturday at V.T. by Madras Express.



TABOO IN POLITICS EXCEPT IN MADRAS

What Viceroy Did In His 69-Day Tour Of Provinces

NEW DELHI, April 13.

The Viceroy on Wednesday concluded a 69-day tour of all the Indian Provinces. He has thus completed one of the first major admi nistrative tasks he set himself and has gained a first-hand impression of general conditions in British India.

The food problem, which in its critical form in Bengal, imposed on him the decision to visit that Province within two days of assumption of office.

All schemes aimed at increasing India's war-time and post-war productivity, agricultural and industrial, were of special interest; among these were the hydro-electric schemes on the son and Rahind rivers in Bihar, which he saw from the air, and the contour bunding work in Bombay Province.

Next came own peculiarly personal interest in the troops. He and lady Wavell rarely missed a visit to troops stationed in places included in their tour.

Lord Wavell showed keen interest in the condition of workers in factories, visited their homes and went down in shirt and shorts, two coal mines and a mica mine.

Politics as such was not a favoured theme of discussion, except it is presumed, in Madras, where Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar had a 45-minute talk with His Excellency and later met the Governor of Madras.

The whole tour was notable for its informality. The Viceregal special was not used except for brief spells in Bombay and Bihar. Most of the journey was by air.

The tour worked smoothly to schedule. The only "mishaj" occurred when one of the wheels of the plane got stuck in soft ground, and the pilot suggested that the Viceregal party who had taken their seats might have to descend. His Excellency not only got out but took the lead in giving a push to get the plane on to hard ground.—A. P.

Ramakrishna Mission Malabar Relief Fund

The Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Khar writes :—

We think the people of Bombay are not well aware of the distress in Malabar. This province had been depending for 50 per cent of its rice supply on Burma. Unfortunately due to abnormal conditions, it has become one of the worst affected areas. A certain percentage of the people were living on Coir industries which have fallen down for want of capital, etc. Lots of people have come under low-income groups who cannot afford to buy food grains at existing high rates and thousands have become destitutes requiring absolutely free supply. Moreover the demon of epidemic is stalking over the country.

For a long time, we have been carrying out the relief work, in our humble way, through some centres which now badly require substantial help from the generous public for want of which they are unable to proceed further.

We therefore, fervently appeal to you, for your quota of help to the Ramkrishna Mission Malabar relief fund to enable it to continue the work it has undertaken. Any contribution sent to the Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, Bombay 21, will be thankfully acknowledged. Cheques should be crossed and drawn in favour of "Ramakrishna Mission."

We further appeal to the generous public to support the cause by attending the dance drama 'Kovalan' which has been organised by some kind hearted youths who are moved by the sufferings of their distressed brethren. The story of the drama is taken from an ancient classic "Seelapadi Karam" and the prominent parts will be played by Mrinalini Sarabhai, Nandita Kripalini, Sankaran Panniker, Sri Visalakshi and many others. It will be staged at the Framji Cawasji Institute, (Old Wellington Cinema, Opp. Metro, Dhobi Talao) on the 17th and 18th inst., at 6-30 p.m. and on 19th at 9-30 p.m.

Rural Broadcasting Service

A rural broadcasting service for Bombay Province is to be inaugurated by His Excellency the Governor on Monday, April 17.

When fully in operation, the service will cover the whole Province.

To begin with, the programme will last for 35 minutes daily from 7-30 p.m. until 8-5 p.m. Its length will be extended as the scheme progresses.

When His Excellency speaks on April 17, sets will have been installed in the Bombay Suburban, Thana and Kolaba Districts.

VIOLATION OF CONTROL PRICES

SHOLAPUR, April 13: Mr. B. N. Gangji, Manager of the Tikekar Textile Mills, has been sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment and to pay Rs. 300 fine under the Defence of India Rules by the Resident Magistrate for, it is alleged, selling jowar at more than the control rate to his workers.—United Press.

KUNZRU INSISTS ON AGITATION

CAWNPORE, April 12: Pandit Hriday Nath Kunzru has arrived here after attending the non-party leaders' conference at Lucknow.

Asked whether he expects anything substantial out of the non-party conference, Pandit Kunzru said: "I do not think that some such thing will happen but this much is certain that we will not allow the silence of the grave to prevail in our country."—A.P.

CENTENARIAN'S DEATH

TRANQUEBAR, April 12: Mr. Malaiperumal Nadar, the oldest member of the Nadar community here died yesterday at the age of 109.—A. P.

I NTERNAL PRICES OF JUTE AND JUTE GOODS

NEW DELHI, April 13: In a notification dated April 5, Government of India fixed the ceiling prices of raw jute and of manufactured jute goods for export, says a Press Note.

Ceiling ex-mill, wholesale and retail prices have now been fixed for manufactured jute goods for internal consumption also. These prices allow a profit margin of 2-1/2 per cent to the wholesaler and 2-1/2 per cent to the retailer, exclusive of freight and similar charges.—A. P.

FORMER VICHY OFFICIAL'S APPEAL REJECTED

ALGIERS, April 12: The appeal was rejected here to-day of Col. Pierre Christofini, former Chief of Vichy African Phalanx, who was sentenced to death for high treason on March 28.

NEW YORK, April 13: Bob Montgomery (25) recognised by the New York State Athletic Commission as the World Lightweight Champion has passed the Army medical.

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Chairman's Splendid Announcement Of Increase In Capital And Starting of Fire & General Insurance Business At The Thirteenth Annual General Meeting

Mr. Amratlal Kalidas, Vice President of the Bombay Stock Exchange, and the Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding over the Thirteenth Annual General Meeting of the Neptune Assurance Company Limited said that the year 1943 should be regarded as High water mark of business for the Company. The amount of completed business exceeded Rs. 41,00,000|- showing an increase of about 78% over the figures of the previous year. The Annual Premium income exceeded Rs. 11,00,000|- and a sum of over Rs. 6,00,000|- was added to the Life Fund which raised the Life Fund to Rs. 26,00,000|-.

Speaking about the interest income and expense ratio, the Chairman said that the total amount by way of interest amounted to over Rs. 1,20,000|- which gave an average yield of 5.2% which is slightly lower than the figure of previous year. This was due to the major portion of the Fund being invested in the Government Securities, as required under the Provisions of the Insurance Act. With regard to the Expense Ratio, the Chairman said that the Directors of the Company always followed the policy of conservation and consolidation, as a result of which the Expense Ratio has come to 24% which is less by 4% than the last year.

The Chairman then said that it was the keen desire of his predecessor, Late Sir Govindrao B. Pradhan to start Fire and General Insurance business. It was unfortunate that he does not happen to be amongst us, when we start these Departments. However, he said, it is a great pleasure to him that the Company has fulfilled the work which Sir Govindrao had so long cherished. The Company till now is a Private

Seth Amritlal Kalidas, The Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Limited Company and almost all the Founders' Shares are held by the present Managing Director and the Secretary, Messrs. Mansukhlal T. Mehta and Bhaichand M. Mehta respectively, who founded this Company in 1930. It is gratifying to note, the Chairman said, that the Managing Director and the Secretary have gladly consented to have all their shares converted into ordinary shares without demanding any kind of benefit, in the best interest of the Institution. Always true to their spirit of self sacrifice they have gladly agreed to convert their Founders' Shares on the same footing on which the other shares will be converted and in doing so they have willingly let gone the opportunities before them which if taken advantage of, would have earned them a Life Time's Earnings.

The Chairman then said "that having obtained the necessary sanction from the Government of India, the Directors of the Company have decided to issue in all one lac shares, each of Rs. 20|-. Out of these one lac shares 11,000 shares will be issued by way of conversion of old shares to the present shareholders of the Company and the remaining 89,000 shares are to be issued at a premium of rupee one per share. Out of 89,000 shares 39,000 shares have already been subscribed by the Policy-holders and Shareholders of the Company and the remaining 50,000 shares are to be offered to the Public as required by the rules of the Bombay Stock Exchange. A sum of Rs. 6|- is to be paid with application including rupee one being the premium and Rs. 5|- is to be paid at the time of allotment. The Directors are not going to call the balance in the near future. The shares which are to be offered to the Public have been underwritten by the Firm of Seth Amratlal Kalidas and Seth Jivatlal Pratapsi. The Prospectus will be ready very shortly and application will be made at once to the Bombay Stock Exchange to put our Company's name on their list."

The Chairman then moved that the Directors Report and the Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet be adopted.

TEMPLE FUNDS FOR EDUCATION

Hindu Leaders' Opposition To Use For Non- Religious Purposes

MADRAS, April 11

That the interests of Hindus and Muslims are not identical but diametrically opposite, is amply demonstrated by the agitation going on in the presidency over the proposal of the Madras Government to maintain a First Grade Residential College out of funds diverted partly from the income of Tirupati Devasthanam, and open to all classes of people whether professing Hindu religion or not. The Draft Bill published by the Government for eliciting public opinion is opposed by Hindus on the ground that non-Hindus will be benefited by this new college which will be partially financed out of the temple's savings.

A statement signed by more than hundred persons consisting of leading advocates and retired High Court Judges considers the Bill as highly objectionable and that the present Government had no right to interfere with Hindu religious Trusts or alter the law in respect of their administration; the signatories appeal to the Government to drop the Bill and record their protest against the diversion of religious funds for non-religious purposes.—Orient Press.

MUSLIM LEAGUE ACTIVITY AT BROACH

BROACH, April 13: It is learnt that the Muslim League has decided to contest the ensuing Broach Municipal elections. The Congress is not contesting officially although many Congressmen are contesting independently.—United Press.

BARODA MAHARANI FOR SAVANTWADI

MIRAJ, April 13: Shrimati Shanta Devi, Maharani of the Baroda, will visit Savantwadi State on April 15 and lay the foundation stone of the Maharani Parwatidevi Maternity Home.—United Press.

GOAN FOLKSONG AND CHORAL SOCIETY: Booking for the opening night of the Goan Folksong and Choral Society's concert on April 19 and 20 at the Regal is reported to be brisk, and there seems every prospect that the house will be sold out well in advance.

As announced before, the entire proceeds of the first performance will be devoted through the Bombay War Gifts Fund to the relief of widows and children of Goan seamen killed in the war. Besides two entire villages which lost all their menfolk within the space of a month or so, there is hardly a village in Goa which has not at least one household in mourning because of the war. The purpose of the Society is to provide urgent relief to several hundred homes which are on the edge of starvation and every anna collected at the concert on the 19th will be devoted to that end. Donations amounting to Rs. 2,500 have already been received, and with the promise of several more the Society is now confident of raising the sum of Rs. 10,000 which was its aim.

The amount will be handed over to the War Gifts Fund through the Ladies' Committee earmarked for immediate distribution to the widows and orphans.

Regarding the programme there is no need to say more than that it is better than anything the Society has yet presented. Those who have heard the Society's chorus before will need no urging to attend the concert.

CALCUTTA TAXIS ON STRIKE

Sequel To Alleged Attack On Driver Who Died

CALCUTTA, April 13: There is a taxi strike in Calcutta since this morning as a protest, it is stated, against the alleged attack on a driver of a taxi yesterday evening. The driver has since died. One person was arrested immediately in this connection and handed over to the authorities.

The Commissioner of Police, Calcutta, met representatives of the strikers in the morning and discussed with them the situation.—A. P.

U. S. SOLDIER IN TROUBLE

Sequel To Stabbing Incident At Howrah Station

CALCUTTA, April 13.

United States Army authorities yesterday launched an intensive investigation into the circumstances surrounding an incident which occurred at the Howrah Station on the evening of April 12.

The U. S. Military Police took an American soldier into custody immediately after a stabbing affray. He will be held by Army officials pending outcome of their investigation.

Brig. Gen. Gilbert X. Cheves, Commanding General, Services of Supply in Calcutta, offered the fullest cooperation of his officers with local investigative authorities.

Gen. Cheves stated, "It is a most regrettable incident involving a U. S. soldier, and I have ordered a full investigation with a view to meting out justice under the articles of war. The American soldier involved is not of permanent garrison but is a transient passing through Calcutta."

Hurs Loot Village Under Police Ruse

MIRPURKASH, April 12: A message received here from the village of Nazikabad states that a gang of ten Hurs disguised as policemen came and camped outside village. One of the Hurs later went to the village and asked for "assistance" in hauling a police car which, he alleged, had been stranded nearby. Twenty villagers accompanied the Hur. They were taken to a lonely spot where two armed Hurs stood guard over them. The other Hurs meanwhile raided the village and, unhindered by anybody carried away property worth about Rs. 4,000.—A. P.

Body Beautiful Competition At 'Dil Pazir' Fete

A good opportunity to win handsome prizes is coming the way of the athletes of Bombay. The organisers of the "Dil Pazir" Fete will hold a "Body Beautiful" competition for athletes on the Dance floor at the Fete at 6-30 p.m. to-morrow evening. Handsome prizes will be awarded to the athletes who display the finest physical development.

Mr. Bill Hill Gardner, the famous American athlete, Mr. T. P. Sirkari and Mr. Bamji will be the judges. The entrance fee for the competition is Re. 1 only.

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Members of the three fighting services, army, navy and airforces, especially should not miss this opportunity. Surely all the Herculeses of Bombay will vie with one another and come in numbers to this competition to-morrow.

DEATH SENTENCE CONFIRMED FOR MURDER OF POLICE CONSTABLE

No Jurisdiction To Go Beyond Advocate-General's Certificate

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Wadia, Mr. Justice Sen and Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha).

Emperor

vs.

1. Shaikh Hussan Abdul Karim
2. Akbarkhan Attamahomed .....Accused

This was a Review under clause 26 of the Letters Patent, of the trial before Mr. Justice Blagden and a special Jury, at which the accused were convicted of the murder of a police constable in the Mahim Fair on the night of 25th December 1942, and both sentenced to death. The matter came up on a certificate granted by the Advocate General that there were certain misdirections in the trial Judge's summing-up to the Jury which should be further considered by the High Court.

A dispute having arisen over the giving of alms to some Fakirs who asked for more, the deceased, a police constable in plain clothes, on duty at the Mahim Fair, interfered. The first accused beat him senseless with the police belt which he snatched from him and then instigated the second accused to stab him. Not having a knife on him, the second accused borrowed a knife from an adjoining stall and stabbed him fatally while the constable was lying on the ground, almost unconscious.

It was urged on behalf of the accused that the trial judge had not pointed out, in his charge to the Jury, with sufficient accuracy, the distinction between culpable homicide and murder, nor had he put before it any of the Exceptions to the offence of murder which arose on the evidence even though they may not have been urged by the counsel who represented the accused in the Trial Court.

JUDGMENT

Their Lordships held that the Trial Judge was not bound to refer to the Exceptions to murder which were not applicable on the facts of the case, and for which no foundation had been laid in the cross-examination of the prosecution witnesses or to those parts of Section 300 I.P.C. which were not applicable to the facts of the case for that would confuse the Jury. Their Lordships held that there was no misdirection on any of the points referred to in the Advocate-General's certificate.

Their Lordships agreed with the opinion of the Calcutta High Court (19 C.W.N. 683 F.B.) and of the Madras High Court (35 Mad. 397 at 424 F.B.) that they had no jurisdiction to reopen the case or to interfere with the sentence, if they came to the conclusion that there was no misdirection by the Trial Judge on any of the points referred to in the Advocate-General's Certificate. Their Lordships therefore made no order on the Review.

Mr. E. B. Ghaswalla appeared for the first accused.

Mr. Y. B. Rege appeared for the second accused.

Mr. K. A. Somjee and Mr. Jal R. Vimadalal instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the Crown.

Two Tests Of Literacy

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:

The scale on which the establishment of adult education classes is assisted by the Bombay Government has been liberalised, and in future there will be two tests of literacy, a preliminary and a certificate test.

In addition to the equipment grant originally sanctioned, the Government has now sanctioned a further equipment grant of upto Rs. 25 to be spent on books and writing material by a teacher coaching adults for the second, or certificate, test. A capitation grant of Rs. 5 for each adult who passes the certificate test will be paid in addition to the maintenance grant.

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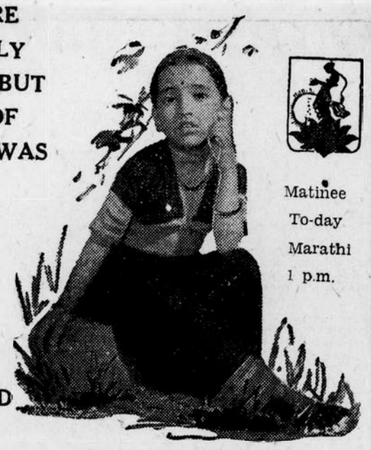
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To-day's Engagements

JOURNALISTS' ASSN. OF INDIA: Annual general meeting, Prospect Chamber's Annexe, Hornby Road, 6 p.m.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION: Annual general meeting of the Bombay Centre at the Red Cross at St. John Ambulance Building, Bombay at 6 p.m. to-day (Friday) Sir John Colville, President of the Centre, will preside.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward No. 9 (Girgaum-Chaupati) will meet near Sandhurst Bridge East Side (Opera House) to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B. T.), 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the Ward.

MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL UPLIFT INSTITUTION OF MATHERAN: Meeting of the donors and members of the above institution, at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Friday) at the office of Mr. Mohamedali Chaiwala, Solicitor, 15, Military Square Lane, Fort, Bombay.

BOMBAY VIGILANCE ASSOCIATION: 21st annual general meeting of the Association to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. at the Elphinstone College. His Grace the Archbishop of Bombay, will preside and the Hon'ble Justice Mr. M. C. Chagla will address the meeting.

THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "The Body and Astral Body" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day (Friday) 6-15 p.m.

RENAISSANCE ASSOCIATION OF INDIA: A meeting of members and friends will be held to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. at the National Insurance Building 204, Hornby Road, Bombay. Subject for discussion: "Principles of Planning".

BOMBAY LEGAL AID SOCIETY: 19th annual general meeting at the High Court Building (1st floor) at 5-30 p.m. today (Friday).

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL MUSLIM LEAGUE: Public meeting today (Friday) at 10 p.m. (S.T.) at Kaisar Baug, Dongri, to celebrate Palestine Day. Mr. I. I. Chundrigar will preside.

PRIZE FOR HINDI ESSAY: The Hindustani Residents' Association, Bombay, will award a prize of Rs. 50 to the writer of the best essay in Hindi on the subject of "How to Promote the Education of Hindi in the Bombay Presidency." Entries should be received by 15th May 1944. Essays should be sent to the Gen. Secretary, C/o. P.O. Box No. 511, Bombay.

GOVT. HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, April 13: The Hon. Sir J. P. Srivastava launched at Government House, The Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville attended a party given by the ratings of the W.R.N.S.

SADHONA BOSE BACK ON THE STAGE

The return of Sadhona Bose to the stage after more than two years will be welcomed by all lovers of Indian dancing. A notable feature of her one week's season at the Excelsior, commencing from April 28, will be the presentation of the various classical styles in a simplified and more popular form, while retaining the basic movements and gestures and the characteristic charm and beauty of each.

The programme, which will consist mostly of new numbers, will introduce some new talent, besides popular artistes like Madhav Menon and Sukhendru Dutt. The musical part will be under the direction of Mr. Amiya Kanti.

WOMAN RUN OVER

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The body of a woman was found with life extinct at Bazar Gate Street yesterday night. The body was found with a tyre mark and marks along the road showed that the woman had been dragged some distance. No one has come to identify her body so far.

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CIVIL APPOINTMENTS

Lt.-Col. L. C. Palk, Military Secretary to the Governor of Bombay, has been granted leave in India from the 18th April to 17th May 1944.

Mr. A. E. Shields, I.C.S., on relief, to officiate as Collector of Ahmedabad vice Mr. J. G. Simms.

Mr. M. G. Pimputkar, I.C.S., Administrator, Ahmedabad Municipality, to officiate as Food Controller, Ahmedabad, vice Mr. A. E. Shields.

Mr. R. D. Modi, Deputy Collector, Price Control, Thana, is granted leave on average pay for two months from the date of his relief

Dr. S. Noronha, as Hon. Dermatologist at St. George's Hospital, Bombay for a further period of one year from 15th April 1944.

DIL PAZIR FAIR: The 'Syamentaka' Raffle on two diamond bracelets will be drawn on Saturday April 15th night on the Dance Floor.

Lucky Nos. of the entrance tickets for 'Dil Pazir Fete' April 12th.

1st Prize of Rs. 100 .....No. 33488 Adult
2nd Prize of Rs. 50 .....No. 33592 Adult
3rd Prize of Rs. 25 .....No. 32499 Adult.

CENTRAL RURAL UPLIFT ASSOCIATION: (Madhyavarati Gramseva Mandal)—A general meeting of the Association will be held on Friday 21st April, 1944 at 6-30 p.m. at Brahmansabha Karandikar Hall, Girgaum, for adopting the audited accounts for 1943, enlistment of new life-member opening a commerce department, including Bombay City in working jurisdiction, and other urgent business

MUSICALS AND WAR FILMS IN TOWN

By T. V. P.

"Batan" at Metro is the story of a heroic fight by 13 men in a fever-infested jungle against Japanese hordes. They had an assignment, to blow up a bridge. Robert Taylor is starred in the film and George Murphy, Thomas Mitchell and others are in the supporting cast. "The Heat's On" at New Empire is a dynamic musical. Mae West is starred in it and there are Victor Moore and William Gaxton to support her. Songs dances, gags all make it an enjoyable film.

"Somewhere in Sahara" at Strand, Colaba, is the film drama of a momentous few days in the Libyan Campaign. In it Humphrey Bogart gives a performance that carries on the sensational success he achieved in "Casablanca." He plays the role of a two-fisted top sergeant, who is commander of a tank and leader of a small group of Allied fighters who struggle through the treacherous sandy wastes of the desert, in an effort to catch up with the British Army at El Alamein.

"The Girls He Left Behind" is continued for another week at Eros and "Flesh and Fantasy" at Regal.

"Hello, Frisco, Hello" is revived at Palace, "Dubarry was A Lady" at Aurora and "Watch on the Rhine" at Paradise.

CULTURAL CONFERENCE

Today's session (Friday) of the Cultural Conference which will begin at 5-30 p.m. will include a welcome address by Mr. Adam Adil, Chairman Organising Committee; inaugural address by Lady Rama Rau; speeches by the famous Film Star Surendra Nath and by Sushil Kavlekar; dances by Mir Chandani Sisters and Miss Manorama; music by Miss Vimal Patki, Mr. Masih and Ahmed Azmi; Konkani Folk Songs by the Goan Association and Art Exhibition.

Mrs Tara Ali Baig will preside.

SAVING AS A REMEDY AGAINST WAR-TIME INFLATION

Twenty-seven students from colleges in Bombay and suburbs took part in the essay competition organised by the National War Front, Bombay the subject being "Saving as a remedy against war-time inflation." The first prize of Rs. 101 has been awarded to Mr. G. S. Abhyankar, of the Wilson College, and the second of Rs. 51 to Mr. A. P. Hasumani of the Ismail College, Andheri. It was found extremely difficult to award the third prize of Rs. 31 and the three consolation prizes of Rs. 25 each in view of the fact that seven competitors, with efforts of equal merit, tied for these prizes. These four prizes have, therefore, been pooled and adding a further sum of Rs. 69, prizes of Rs. 25 each have been awarded to seven candidates.

LAST FEW DAYS
DIL-PAZIR FETE
Extension To Sunday 16th.
To-night Special Attraction in the Theatre at 9-30 p.m. by the well-known Nritya Apsara Rohini Wagle in her famous Snake-Charmer's, Kite and Marwari Dances
Tickets Rs. 5/-, Rs. 2/-, Re. 1/-.
and to-day in the Dance Floor Body Beautiful Competition.

motor engineers

This is the name given to the skilled mechanics of India's newest, fastest, smallest fighting ship—the Motor Torpedo Boat. This wonderful little ship is capable of a speed of over forty miles an hour and it needs some handling. It carries two torpedoes and other formidable protective armament. It is a powerful, deadly little ship—deadly to the interests of Japanese raiders, as their day-to-day record is showing. Candidates for Motor Torpedo Boat crews must have a knowledge of running and maintaining petrol or diesel engined vehicles or boats. No previous naval or sea experience is necessary. Service in this branch of the Royal Indian Navy offers a great future to young men with adventure in their hearts.

Pay is excellent – starting at Rs. 150/- for a Motor Engineer IV Class and going up to Rs. 200/- for a Motor Engineer III Class. Skilled mechanics can be promoted to a higher grade carrying a pay of Rs. 300/- monthly. Food, Clothing and Accommodation are provided free and there are numerous other concessions. These rates include War Risk Money which is payable at all times ashore and afloat (except in special circumstances). As terms of service are liable to change, candidates are advised to check all details given in this announcement with the nearest Recruiting Office.

HOW TO APPLY...
Applications marked "Motor Engineers" should be sent to the nearest Recruiting Office or to:—
THE COMMANDING OFFICER, R.I.N. DEPOT (DRAFTING OFFICE) BOMBAY

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BAN ON EXPORT OF FLUID MILK

In January last the Government of Bombay issued an order prohibiting the export of fluid milk by rail, road or sea from any place within the limits of Bombay City, the Bombay Suburban District and that part of the Thana Mahal which is encircled by the Bassein Thana Creek to any place in India outside these limits. The Government has now amended the order by adding the following paragraph to it at the end:—

The prohibition contained in this order shall also apply to fluid milk removed through the limits of the said city, district and part of the Thana Mahal from any place beyond the said limits to any other place beyond the said limits.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 13: Following is the weather chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 9th April:—
Allahabad 92 65 0, BOMBAY 90 73 0, Calcutta 93 69 0 Cawnpore 92 63 0, Cuttack 93 73 T, Darjeeling 55 42 0, Delhi 88 63 0, Dehra Dun 79 55 0, Jacobabad 101 66 0, Karachi 83 73 0, Lahore 86 60 0, Lucknow 92 62 0, Madras 86 79 0, Nagpur 96 69 0, Patna 92 64 0, Peshawar 83 57 0, Shillong 71 52 0, Simla 59 43 0.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Let us be of good cheer, remembering that the misfortunes hardest to bear are those that never come.

—James Russell Lowell.

The Bombay Chronicle

INDIANS IN S. AFRICA

The debate in the South African Assembly on the Indian problem reveals on the one hand the difficulties that beset the problem and on the other the growing desire among many for a fair settlement. One extreme section of the European community suggests repatriation of Indians at any cost. Realising that Indians will never submit to compulsory repatriation, apart from its being against the Cape Town Agreement, this section thinks that Indians can be persuaded to return to India voluntarily if they are given "a pension for life" and that, even if the scheme costs £50,000,000, it is worth the price. The suggestion indicates the depth of the anti-Indian prejudice though only a few Europeans are prepared to go so far. But as Mr. Clarkson, Minister for the Interior, pointed out, the scheme is hardly feasible. Very few Indians will accept it, certainly not those who are in a position to reside in predominantly European quarters and against whom the Pegging Act is primarily directed. Another suggestion of this hostile European section is that Government should expropriate 2,000 acres of land outside the municipal boundaries of Durban and establish an Indian township there. But Indians will never submit to this humiliating isolation, though they may agree to voluntary zoning of different communities within the city limits.

It is encouraging that a growing and by no means negligible section of the European community and mainly representing Labour is disposed to support Mr. Clarkson in his attempts to devise a fair compromise. The same is true of the native communities. Mrs. V. M. L. Ballinger, a representative of these, said that the greater danger was the ousting of Indians from their economic footholds by the penetration into Indian areas of Europeans than the penetration into European areas of Indians. Mr. Clarkson gave a spirited reply to the Opposition, particularly to those who had said that that the people of Natal were not responsible for Indians coming here. The people who were complaining about Indians to-day, he said, were the very people "who had grown fat on them, who had lived on them and sold land to them at enhanced prices—and building societies and trust companies who had financed them." However, the fate of the Pegging Act will depend largely on the findings of the Broom Commission. It is a pity that attempts are being made to pack the Commission with a large majority of men hostile to the Indian point of view. The Government of India should be most vigilant and do everything possible to safeguard Indian interests. Indians must demand, as does the Negro singer, Paul Robeson, that colour should no longer be allowed to be a bar against the rights of free citizens.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Republicans & Isolationism

American newspapers, at least those, whose views have so far been made available to the Indian public, are assuring the world that the defeat of Mr. Wendell Willkie in the Wisconsin preferential primary elections and his subsequent withdrawal from the presidential race, do not connote any radical swing towards isolationism among the ranks of Republicans in the States. In support of this assurance they quote the opinions already expressed by potential nominees for the Republican presidential candidacy, regarding the foreign policy that ought to be pursued by their country in the present world crisis as well as in post-war days. It is recalled that Governor Thomas E. Dewey, who was primarily responsible for Mr. Willkie's discomfiture in the Wisconsin primaries, "has publicly sponsored British and American alliance which Soviet Russia and China would be invited to join." Lt.-Comdr. H. E. Stassen, who ran second to Mr. Dewey in Wisconsin, is represented as having insisted that "the United States must surrender to a considerable degree, sovereignty in order to assure lasting peace" and to have proposed that "the world parliament should have international authority."

Willkie's Withdrawal

These and other statements of Republican leaders are, no doubt, satisfactory so far as they go, but the trouble is that they do not go far enough to justify the hope of the outside world that, so far as the Republicans can help it, the States will take as full a part, as say Great Britain or any of the other bigger European Powers who have, or who fancy they have, "imperial" stakes, in post-war world politics. The sorry part played by the United States in the years following the last world war, in spite of the perfervid internationalism of its Republican spokesmen during the currency of the war, makes the outside world hesitant in taking the war-time professions of its politicians at their face value. If really the Republican rank and file has turned its back on isolationism as is made out in a section of the American press, one fails to see why the most outstanding exponent of anti-isolationism among Republicans should have suffered a rebuff at the hands of his party. Surely, it was not on the plank of domestic politics that Mr. Willkie met with the disaster. The cautious terms in which the Republican nominees for the presidential candidacy have been defining their attitude regarding the role which the States should play in the post-war world, should warn the critical world against any undue optimism regarding their latter-day leanings towards internationalism.

Carry On The Work

The National Week seems to have been celebrated this year more with quiet constructive work than demonstrations. This is but partly due to the ban in many places on demonstrations. Experience has taught many that quiet work can be impressive as well as paying in other ways. Only, it should be sustained and must be continued even though the Week has ended. The work for freedom should be carried on till India is free. That is, indeed, the lesson of the National Week, the lesson of the Jallianwalla Bagh, that the atrocities like those that were perpetrated there twenty-five years ago can be permanently ended only when India is completely free from foreign domination.

Dr. Ambedkar

We cordially felicitate Dr. B. R. Ambedkar on the occasion of his fifty-second birthday. He has served the "Depressed Classes" with more uncompromising doggedness than perhaps any other leader of the community. His lead is not always happy. For instance, his support to separate electorates is suicidal as these tend to isolate the "Depressed Classes" still more from the sister communities. But, on the whole, he has done a vast deal for his community, next only to Gandhiji. He has given them a lively consciousness of their rights and a determination to fight for them.

Indianisation In Imperial Bank

The question as to who will succeed Sir William Lamond, Managing Director of the Imperial Bank of India, who is due to retire soon, is being eagerly discussed in banking circles. This is natural for it is not merely a personal question. A question of principle is involved in it. The Imperial Bank, like the Reserve Bank, owes its pre-eminence to no small extent to State help in various forms. And the principle of Indianisation, generally accepted by Government, must be applied to the highest posts in the Bank. So as long as Indians of merit are available, an Indian must be appointed to the highest post which will soon fall vacant. Nobody will dare to say that qualified Indians are not available for the post. An Indian has been available even for the Governorship of the Reserve Bank. Many more can be easily named who can worthily fill the post in question. Unless the man at the top is an Indian the policy of Indianisation in the Bank has little chance. It is significant that so far not a single Indian has been appointed as Chief Accountant or Secretary of any of the three circles. Nor is there, in the absence of an Indian Managing Director, any prospect of the Bank showing adequate enterprise in financing foreign trade in competition with British Exchange banks or in financing indigenous industries. The question needs to be taken up seriously by Indian Chambers of Commerce.

RATION YOUR BLOOD

In a Broadcast from Bombay Studio of A.I.R. on Wednesday at 8-20 p. m. Mrs. Tara Ali Baig said:—

They told me, when we started this Blood Bank for Civil Hospitals, that it couldn't be done. They said people have a prejudice against giving their blood, they think it weakens them, even shortens their lives. They said voluntary donors would not come forward. People simply do not understand what a Blood Bank means.

Everybody in this city who claims to take an interest in what concerns the city, can respond to the appeal for donors just as a little old woman did who came to me one day and said she would like to give her blood. Her arm was so gaunt and thin, my first impulse was to say, "don't be ridiculous, you can't give any blood." But then I stopped, humbled by the fineness of her spirit. What she did was so simple really. She was willing to let the doctors decide if she could safely be a blood donor and she did her part of the bargain . . . . she volunteered.

The Civil Hospitals Emergency Aid Committee has dedicated itself to the task of building this Blood Bank Service for the civilians of Bombay. It is a service that is long overdue, a service that should exist in all the big cities of India. In our survey of the needs of civil hospitals, we found that the blood of five hundred donors every month was necessary. This means enrol no more than 6000 people giving their blood only once every year. In a city of 20 lakhs population, a city moreover that prides itself, and justly being socially-disciplined and public-spirited, 3000 donors prepared to give their blood regularly twice a year are surely not impossible to find. But it will be impossible if each person who hears me depends upon the other fellow to shoulder the responsibility. Let me make it quite clear. We cannot have too many donors.

In Bombay, the Civil Hospitals Emergency Aid Committee have done the first part of it. The second part **remains to be done and can only be done by you.**

Move For Trade Union Of Indian Journalists

Sub-Committee Suggests Minimum Wage, Provident Fund And Gratuity

BOMBAY, April 13.

An All-India organisation of working journalists to be constituted on a Federal basis, the building up of Trade Union Funds by regional bodies to strengthen the Union of Journalists, deputations of journalists' organisations to see various newspaper proprietors with a view to bringing about amelioration in the pay, conditions of service, etc., of working journalists and a minimum wage and other conditions of service are suggested by a Sub-Committee of the Journalists' Association of India, Bombay, in a report which they have subitted to the Association.

The Executive Committee of the Association of which Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President of the A.-I.N.E.C., is the Chairman, has issued a statement commending the recommendations of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee was appointed in August last to collect facts and figures of the present scale of pay, Provident Fund, leave, allowances, etc., obtaining in newspaper offices and suggest a minimum scale; to suggest methods by which a National Union of Journalists can be formed, under the auspices of the Association, which will enter into agreement with newspaper proprietors regarding the minimum scale of pay, hours of work, holidays, etc., to working journalists and to form a constitution for the proposed National Union of Journalists and frame rules for its actual working as an organisation to safeguard the interests of working journalists throughout India.

CONSTITUTION ON BRITISH MODEL?

The Sub-Committee eschewed consideration of the forming of a constitution for a National Union of Journalists on the grounds that it need not be undertaken until after much elaborate spade-work and removal of many impediments and secondly Indian journalists cannot do better than copy the constitution of the British Union with minor changes to suit Indian requirements and this can be done easily.

The recommendations of the Sub-Committee fall into two categories; one dealing with the development of a Trade Union organisation and the other with the betterment of existing conditions.

Although the press in India is largely modelled on the British Press, there is one essential difference between the two, namely, that there is no Fleet Street in India, says the statement.

BUILD UP FROM BELOW

It explains that there is no concentration of "national newspapers" in one centre or area: there are more than one national (as distinct from nationalist) newspapers in the country issued from different centres. On account of the vastness of the country our "national" newspapers serve only a Provincial or restricted territorial clientele, though a few copies of the best known papers may circulate far beyond.

This fact is mentioned to emphasise that, to start with, at any rate, the task of organising journalists into a Trade Union will have to be tackled on a Provincial or territorial basis.

The goal will undoubtedly be the evolution of an All-India Trade Union of Journalists; but in the light of existing facts it will have to be built up from below.

The statement urges that although geography, language and local interest may divide journalists from one another, there is no doubt one thing in common, the miserable plight—barring a few honourable exceptions—of working journalists all over the country. Journalists may differ in other respects, but from the economic standpoint they are one and need urgent improvement.

NUCLEUS OF T. U. RESERVE

Working journalists all over the country must be made to realise, the statement emphasises, that there can be no guarantee of decent living and reasonable conditions of service unless they are in a position to apply sanctions. The strengthening of their respective organisations must be regarded as an important task to secure their well-being and because the process is slow a beginning must be undertaken without a moment's delay. Other working journalists must be persuaded to join the territorial or linguistic official organisation and pay subscriptions regularly.

More than the subscriptions, there must be a 'pro-rata' contribution towards a fund, which can come to the rescue of the unemployed journalists.

This fund must be regarded as the nucleus of a possible Trade Union reserve.

PROFIT MOTIVE

It is high time that journalists realised that even though they may regard journalism as a mission, a newspaper is a commercial proposition to the proprietor or proprietors, that they must inevitably approach newspaper publishing from a capitalist point of view, and that to-day papers are run and must run with a profit motive. "We must compel the proprietors, if necessary, with the sanctions open to a Trade Union, to realise that it is our loyalty and our work that makes the largest contribution to their profits. A trade union can never be a success without funds and let us begin with a nucleus, however small."

As the Journalists' Association organised on a Trade Union basis will insist that employers must engage only members of recognised journalists' associations; these associations on their part must insist on certain conditions before any individual is admitted as full member, says the statement. The conditions are at least 23 months' work in a regular newspaper office; regular payment of subscriptions and regular contributions to the Trade Union Reserve Fund.

JOURNALISTS' DEMANDS

Turning to the immediate present, the Committee suggests that deputations of journalists organisations may be asked to see various newspaper proprietors with a view to bringing about amelioration in the conditions of service. The points to be emphasised are: The removal of the element of uncertainty and insecurity of tenure; immediate rise in the wage level and steps to ensure a comfortable outlook on retirement. A minimum wage of Rs. 125 per month to every journalist with an annual increment of Rs. 10 for the first ten years and Rs. 20 for the second ten years is suggested. Other recommendations include grant of a month's privilege leave every year, sick leave, introduction of Provident Fund, the employer and employees contributing eight and one-third per cent and the payment of gratuity at retirement. Staff correspondents are also included in the definition of "working journalists."—A. P.

FAILURE OF CLOTH CONTROL

Consumers Squeezed For Benefit Of Government, Millowners And Merchants

By X

As one connected with the cotton textile industry for over 35 years in various capacities, I may review the working of the Cotton Yarn and Cloth Control.

The control measures were started by the Government, with the idea of stopping speculation in, and bringing down the prices of, yarn and cloth. It is not necessary to try to find out as to who was mainly responsible for the unusual rise in prices, in 1942. The closure of the Ahmedabad mills for nearly four months brought about a shortage of piece-goods and was the main cause is admitted by all. The 'hartal' in the markets outwardly and private sales by the merchants at the godowns and other places at rising (fabulous) prices is well-known to all. The prices soared to such heights that the Government was at last forced to intervene and to pass control orders one after another.

The parties affected by these control orders are:—

(1) The Government; (2) the mills; (3) the merchants and (4) the consumers. I shall try to analyse the effects of the measures, adopted by the Government from time to time for controlling the prices of yarn and cloth, on each of these parties.

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So far as the Government is concerned, it was likely to be affected in two ways. Firstly, it showed its concern at the rising prices and declared its intention to bring down the prices of yarn and cloth to such an extent as to bring them within the easy reach of the average consumer—that is, the average villager. This should have been its main and sole function. Secondly the Government was also concerned with the collection of as big an amount as possible by way of income-tax, super-tax and excess profit-tax from the mills and the merchants from their earnings; nearly 20 per cent or more of the excess-profit-tax was left to the earners as an incentive to make more profits.

It has been claimed by the Government as well as by the chairman of the Textile Control Board that the steps taken by them had been instrumental in bringing down the prices of cloth and yarn by 35 to 40 per cent in the first stage. The subsequent cut in March 1944 of 10 per cent of the ceiling rate previously fixed was supposed to have brought a further relief to the consumer. The 10 per cent cut in March last was a poor one, considering the drop in prices of raw cotton (a heavy one in the case of Indian cottons) stores chemicals, etc. Was the relief due to these drops in prices adequate?

When action to control prices was taken, they were 500 to 600 per cent of the pre-war level. A drop of 35 per cent to 40 per cent in the first stage and a further cut of 10 per cent of the reduced price in March, should have brought down the prices to about 270 to 300 per cent of the pre-war prices and this after 12 months of control. The prices, however, have not dropped to this extent. The drop in the prices of coarser varieties was first more than in fine and mercerised. The prices of the latter were, however, maintained and these goods found their way into black markets. The rich and the higher middle class did not hesitate to make purchases of these at high prices. The profits realised in these were so high that merchants in possession of these, insisted on the buyer merchants purchasing medium and coarse qualities also along with the fine and mercerised.

This brought about a general shortage of goods and led to more extensive black marketing. I shall deal with this question of black markets later on. Suffice it here to say that cloth is not available at reduced and controlled prices even. Moreover, even the controlled prices were and are high.

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Let us first of all examine the effect of the level of prices during 1943 so far as the Government and the mills are concerned. It is generally known that the profits made by the mills during the year 1943 are 25 per cent to 45 per cent, (even 50 per cent) of the gross value of the value of sales made by them during the year. Taking the gross value at 100 and deducting the profits the cost to the mills will thus have been 75 per cent to 55 per cent of the value of sales. It is on this 75 per cent to 55 per cent of the value of sales, that the profits of 25 per cent to 45 per cent of the value of sales has been earned; worked out in percentage, the scale of profit comes to over 33.1/3 per cent minimum and to even over 80 per cent of the cost of cloth. In a recent statement, i.e., on the 4th April, made by the chairman of the Textile Control Board, it is claimed that the profits of the textile mills will be reduced during the current year (1944) by about 35 per cent to 40 per cent from those for the year 1943. As is usual, in the case of all budgetary estimates, this estimate also must be on the low side but even if it be accepted as correct the profits to the mills will work out to 22 per cent minimum and even 50 per cent of the cost-value of cloth even after over 1-1/2 years of control???

The Chairman of the Textile Control Board further admitted that the standard profits of the majority of the mills (i.e., profits for the years 1936, 1937 and or 1938) were bad. He discussed the taxation policy of the Government in the light of the recent budget—proposals and came to the conclusion that until the current profit was nearly double the standard profits the assessee would be left with roughly 40 per cent of what he had in 1939-1940 after paying taxation. He thought that such a position was extremely unsatisfactory having regard to the very bad standard profits for the majority of the mills, and wondered whether the Finance Member had allowed any initiative for increased production to remain with the industry. But actually the profits earned during the years 1943 would in many cases be 20 to 30 times their standard profit and even more, the question would naturally arise why should the mills except to or be allowed to make such huge profits? Did Government allow this unknowingly or did it do so as their share of the extra profits is about 80.

Thus so far as the Government and the mills are concerned they can mutually congratulate one another on their achievements. Government by way of collection of big amounts by the mills and merchants on their behalf as income and excess profit taxes, and the mills by the balances that will remain with them even after the payment of these so-called heavy taxes; moreover the mills can also claim to have come to the rescue of the poor consumers who would have remained without clothing but for the sacrifice made by the mills! If this result is being placarded as successful in full control of the prices of cloth and yarn, it can only mean that in arriving at this conclusion, the poor consumer who has to walk about in tatters is left out of consideration.

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It may, however, be admitted that the cloth and yarn control has succeeded partially. The cause of the success be it partial only is to be found in the halting and half-hearted measures adopted by the Government for the effective control of the distribution of and fixation of prices of cloth: perhaps Government fought shy of taking bold and all embracing steps in the initial stage and surrendered all its powers to the Textile Control Board wherein the influence of the millowners and the merchants far outweighed that of all other interests as well as consumers. Possibly Government had not the staff to work out the whole scheme by themselves and preferred to work through "the usual channels." Anyhow the results so far achieved are not very encouraging and the complaints of the consumers stand even today that in the various qualitites of cloth the prices have not yet come down even to the level prevailing in the first half of the year 1942, and in many cases perhaps not to the level of prices charged at the cheap cloth shops run by the millowners before the control came in.

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Let us now examine the 'modus operandi' of the cloth and yarn control, during the period under review. Government had placed orders for the manufacture of cloth for military requirements; a further portion of the production of cloth (about 30 to 40 per cent) was diverted on to the manufacture of the standard cloth. This left only a small quantity of the usual qualities of production for the market. Moreover, the prices fixed for standard cloth were on such a liberal basis that the mills made huge profits in the year 1943. It is reported that the qualities and sorts manufactured in standard cloth were such, and the prices paid were so high that they did not become popular in most of the provinces. During the long period the control has been working, Government could have through accredited auditors got the prices of the various sorts thoroughly worked out.

Further the policy was adopted of fixing the price of cloth for a period of three months at a time even when the ceiling prices for the various current market sorts were fixed. The effect of the guarantee of non-reduction of prices during the period of three months encouraged the merchants to hold on the goods with the idea of making larger profits during times of better demand during the period. During such periods of better demand, the merchants overstepped the limits of prices fixed by Government, with the consequence that complaints of black marketing became more and more persistent.

Thus both the millowners and the merchants have benefited from the control placed by the Government and the prices of cloth have not dropped to the extent expected. It is only the consumer who suffered whereas all the other three parties—The Government, the mills and the merchants—got the full benefit during the year 1943 and will also get the same in the year 1944.

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It is worth considering whether Government would have not been successful in stopping the black markets and in reducing the prices of cloth and yarn if, alongwith a very small percentage of standard cloth, Government had reserved the right of taking from the mills upto 50 per cent of their running qualities and sorts of cloth, as and when required, at the prices adjusted on the basis of those prevelent in 1941 or early 1942 after allowing for the increase in costs. This cloth could have been distributed to the various centres and sold at controlled prices and as the cloth would be bearing the same number as the cloth on sale in the market, this policy would have had a wholesome check on the level of prices of these goods. Just as in the case of food-grains, Government has declared its intention to purchase a certain percentage from each producer and started a rationing in various areas, Government could have take a certain (big) percentage out of the usual qualities of cloth popular in the markets from the mills and effected sales in retail at controlled prices and if necessary even by rationing.

The production of fine and fancies is so limited that Government would not have found it difficult to handle these especially as they are mostly saleable in cities only.

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Government's recent decision to control the import of foreign cotton and the granting of the licences for purchase of these on the basis of consumption during the year 1940, 1941 and 1942 will lead to a continuance of the black markets in the case of fine and fancy goods, as the shortage will remain.

What really should have been done was, greater encouragement should have been given to the manufacture of medium qualities of 40s/40s or 40s/60s and the output thereby increased to satisfy the demands to a greater extent. The manufacture of fine counts yarn and cloth for the general public in India is a luxury and the luxury in these critical times should have been given a goby from the very start; even now it is not too late and Government can stop the manufacture of cloth in fine counts and can make available to the general public goods in greater quantity of medium counts of cloth which should be acceptable even to those who have been using finer counts.

Are the old merchants out to secure a monopoly to themselves for the duration of the war and even for two-three years thereafter? They were in pre-war days trading mostly on small marging, about 1 per cent mostly. Now the prices are about 300 per cent high, and they have been officially allowed to make a profit of 4 per cent. Thus where they were making one anna, they easily make 12 annas. Some firms that were formerly working merely as commission agents on 1/2 per cent commission, are now claiming the goods from the mills as merchants and appropriate the 4 per cent profit to themselves.

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In order to hoodwink the Government and divert its attention away from the real cause, some interested parties have started the propaganda that the black markets are the creation of new merchants who have started business since 1943 and advocate cutting off the supply of goods to these firms. What, however, are the real facts? Which are the firms involved in the recent successful raids by the police? Are they old ones or new? Many old shops and their (off-shoots) are owned by the brokers of the mills or their relatives; and by salesmen, or the friends who are reported to be giving a certain remuneration or share to the salesmen and/or brokers; some may be by relatives or frieds of mill-agents. So also the new ones.

However, one wonders why certain big merchants and control Board Members, having connived at the black markets so long have now raised this question and take an usual interests in the same?

DURBAN COUNCIL'S TACTICS

Move To Outweigh Indians On Broome's Inquiry

BOMBAY, April 13.

Swami Bhavani Dayal and Mr. Mahomed Ahmed Jadwat, representatives of the South African Indian Congress, in India, in a statement observe that the Broome Indian Inquiry Commission, which was set up last month to inquire into the Indian problems in Durban, consisted of two Indians, a Judge, an Executive Councillor and a Senator, the last three being Europeans.

The Durban City Council threatened, the statement continues, that the findings of the Commission would not be accepted by them as authoritative as they themselves were not directly represented on the Commission. As a result the Union Government has appointed the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee of the City Council as a sixth member of the Commission.

The latest reports indicate that the Council is now demanding a second representative of their own on the Commission and there is every likelihood of Gen. Smuts acceding to the demand. By this means the Durban Town Council hopes to nominate its own men to the Commission, to uphold by agreements its neglect to carry out the terms of the Cape Town Agreement and to evade the issue of the Indians' claim to franchise and full civic rights.

The Indians now feel that the addition of these two men to the Commission as originally constituted, has seriously impaired the impartial character of the Commission, whose findings are now liable to be unduly influenced by the preponderating European and anti-Indian point of view.—A. P.

Natal Indians' Suggestions

(From Our Correspondent)

DURBAN April 12.

At a quarterly meeting of Natal Municipal Association to be held on April 21, a memorandum will be considered on the question of Indian penetration.

The memorandum proposes that a statutory enactment should be passed whereby an Indian acquiring property in a predominantly European area will be required to declare that it is for a commercial or an industrial purpose and that he shall not be permitted to occupy the property except by a licence to trade.

It goes on to say that where an Indian desires to acquire land as an investment in an area which is not predominantly Indian, he shall make a declaration to that effect and a servitude inserted in his title deeds.

For residential purposes the powers sall be accorded for racial zoning, to declare closed and open areas: as predominantly occupied by a particular race that no area shall pass to any person of another race: In open areas there shall be no restriction in respect of the same.

On the subject of Indian representation, the memorandum suggests that for ten years a system should be used whereby persons of European descent are eligible for election to represent Indians. After ten years a system be devised by which Indians will become eligible.

NO GHEE FOR YAGNAS

ALLAHABAD, April 13: The Regional Food Controller has refused to permit for a very large quantity issue of ghee applied for in connection with a proposal to organise Yagnas at Cawnpore, on the ground that recent Yagnas are responsible for the consumption of large quantities of foodgrains and ghee at Muttra.—O. P.

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PUBLIC RECEPTION TO RANJI TROPHY WINNERS

RAJKOT April 13: The W.I.S.C.A. Eleven, winners of the Ranji Trophy were given a public reception on their return from Bombay this afternoon. Lt-Col. Gaigford, the Resident, Maharaj Colonel Pratap Singh, representing the Jamaaheb and the Nawanagar Association, and several cricket fans garlanded the players.—A. P.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Mr. H. Abrahamson, (United Party, Drakensberg), said that the position was impossible. They were seriously considering asking Government to segregate Europeans in their areas and to leave certain areas for Isdians only. If only that was done, perhaps white civilisation in Natal could be saved.

—Proceedings of South African Assembly.

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"The United States", says Paul Robeson, the famous Negro singer, "will have a tremendous lot to say about what happens in Africa after the war."

The trouble is that it will say it through the mouths of Churchill and Smuts!—and Abrahamson!

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King Victor Emmanuel has decided to retire when Rome is captured. Hurry up, boys, and relieve His Majesty of his Majesty!

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MODERN PROVERBS

Rome was not captured in a day!

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"Civil Disobedience in war-time", says the "Glasgow Herald", writing about India, "is not a policy or a method but a fantasy."

Quite a fantastic idea, we must admit!

What then, by the way, is the intrasigience of British imperialism? Flesh And Fantasy?

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The same paper writes further about Gandhiji: "A single word from him would bury the dogma of Civil Disobedience and release popular demand for constitutional freedom."

Will it do if the Mahatma utters two words instead of one?

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *Sir Jwala Prasad Srivastava has come to Bombay to give us our daily Bara wheat bread.*

(2) *Hitler and Mussolini had prolonged discussions and Mussolini agreed with everything the Fuehrer said.*

(3) *Those present at the meeting observed that Il Duce's bald head had grown balder and his Roman paunch had gone in several inches.*

(4) *M. Laval was present at this conference of Quislings and received a few tips from Mussolini on how an exiled ex-dictator ought to behave—tips that might be useful, too, soon!*

(5) *The Finns have once again rejected Soviet terms—which raises the interesting question whether they were not rejected a few days ago.*

(6) *Paul Robeson will be brought to India by the U.S. authorities to entertain the American troops with his songs—but he will be asked not to include "Vande Mataram" in his repertoire.*

RUSSELL'S ADVICE TO INDIAN FARMERS

LONDON, April 13: The world food expert Sir John Russell, broadcasting to India today said that peasants and cultivators everywhere were hoping for a higher standard of living in the future, and one of the surest ways of securing this was to widen their range of production, improving greatly their livestock husbandry and milk production, and producing more and better fruit. One way in which engineers were helping in fighting the famine, had been the invention of many kinds of engines. Tractors were expensive and could not usually be bought by small farmers.

Sir John continued: "The small farmer can, however, get much benefit from machines owned and worked by co-operative societies and this is one of the many reasons why small farmers in any country, especially India, should learn to co-operate. It enables them to do so much.

CUT OUT AND KEEP

REVISED PRICES OF FOUNTAIN PENS.

The maximum retail selling prices of fountain pens fixed under the Hoarding and Profiteering Prevention Ordinance have been revised as follows. The prices of fountain pen nibs and inks fixed under the Ordinance have also been given below:—

(THE PRICES ARE PER PIECE.)

	Rs.	a.	p.
PARKER			
(1) Maxima	60	0	0
(2) Major	52	8	0
(3) Junior	30	0	0
(4) 51 A Steel clip	75	0	0
(5) 51 B Gold Filled	90	0	0
SHEAFFER'S			
(1) Statesman	60	0	0
(2) Life Time	52	8	0
(3) Lady Sheaffer	52	8	0
(4) Admiral	30	0	0
(5) Milady	30	0	0
(6) Craftsman	21	0	0
(7) Miss Universe	21	0	0
(8) Junior	16	8	0
(9) Premier Life Time	66	0	0
(10) Wasp Clipper (Slender)	11	11	0
(11) Wasp Clipper (Standard)	17	11	0
(12) Valiant Superior Quality	60	0	0
(13) Valiant Inferior Quality	54	6	0
(14) Defender	30	0	0
(15) Commandant	24	0	0
EVERSHARP			
(1) Lifetime Skyline	51	0	0
(2) Adjustable Nib No. 5900 Lifetime	60	0	0
(3) Adjustable Nib No. 5700 Lifetime	45	0	0
(4) Adjustable Nib No. 2300	21	0	0
(5) Adjustable Nib No. 300	12	0	0

	Rs.	a.	p.
Blackbird Standard	6	6	0
Swan Self-filler No. 200	15	10	0
Conway Steward Small	8	0	0
Conway Steward Medium	15	0	0
Conway Steward Large	20	0	0
RELIEF PEN GOLD NIB			
(1) Pen No. 1	11	0	0
(2) Pen No. 2	15	10	0
(3) Pen No. 3	26	4	0
MENTMORA			
(1) Golden Platignum	3	0	0
(2) Supreme	10	0	0
(3) Diploma	12	0	0
New Relief Ink Visible Model No. 7	28	0	0
Steel Relief Nib	7	0	0
Relief Nib or Medium Tipped	9	6	0
Cheap U.S.A. Pens with Gold Nibs (Small)	4	0	0
Cheap U.S.A. Pens with Gold Nibs (Big)	6	11	0
Cheap U.S.A. Pens with Plated Nibs (Small)	2	1	0
Cheap U.S.A. Pens with Plated Nibs (Big)	2	15	0
WATERMAN			
(1) Visi Ink Large	35	0	0
(2) Visi Ink Small	20	0	0
(3) Liver filling	15	0	0
(4) 32-B	19	0	0
Unspecified English Pens (per shilling of latest English list price)	1	4	0
Unspecified American Pens (per dollar of latest American list price)	6	0	0

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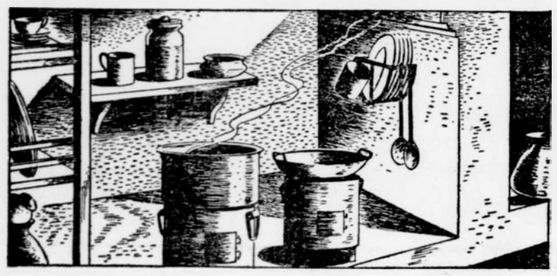

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Aga Khan Hockey

KIRKEE UNITED AND LUSITANIANS IN GOALLESS DRAW

The first semi-final in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament was played before the biggest crowd of the season at the Bombay Gymkhana on Thursday. The contending parties were the Lusitanians, the Provincial Champions, and the Kirkee United The match was played at a terrific pace, the visitors having the better of the exchanges throughout. But neither Kirkee who were within the shooting range on many occasions nor the "Lusis' who had fewer chances than their opponents could score. So the match ended in a goalless draw and it will be replayed on Saturday.

The Kirkee players did everything but score Phillips and the Nimal brothers shining brilliantly. The Lusis on the other hand, were somewhat disorganised in the attacking line which made their forward play rather disjointed. But for the magnificent defence put up by Walter DeSouza in their second line of defence and Patrick D'Souza at the pivot they would have gone down by a big margin. Unless the Lusis manage to strengthen their attacking line, bringing back Gama in his usual position in the intermediate line, they would find it very difficult to get the better of their formidable rivals.

TO-DAY'S SEMI-FINAL

6-15 p.m. Delhi Independents vs. St Xavier's College 'A'

Water Polo Championship Of Bombay Quadrangular

Bombay's Water Polo Quadrangular Tournament has been arranged for April 17 (Monday) and (Tuesday) 18th and the venue will be the Golvala Victoria Swimming Baths, Back Bay. In the first round of the opening day, Europeans will oppose their old rivals, Parsis and a very strong side of the Hindus from the Pransukhlal Mafatlal Hindu Swimming Pool will meet the Zionists (Maccabi Sports Club). Winners will contest the final the next evening. The present holders of the Trophy the Golvala Challenge Shield are Parsis.

A new innovation introduced this year is a handsome Trophy presented by Mr. Jehanbux A. Taraporewalla, an old life-member and a keen enthusiast of aquatics, for Quadrangular Water Pole Team Relay, to be held every year in connection with the tournament. This tournament is open for the public and a keen interest is evinced on both the days. The rate of admission for each day are Rs. 2 and Re. 1 and entire proceeds will be applied to meet the expenses of the team of Swimmers that will be sent from Bombay to Lahore to compete in All-India Swimming Championship meet in August.

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KASTURBA GANDHI MEMORIAL

A. V. Thakkar's Report

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. A. V. Thakker, Secretary of the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Fund, writes:—

The Secretary of the Fund has much pleasure in announcing that the work of collection for the Fund has already started in several provinces and States of the country. A committee for the City and Suburbs of Bombay was formed on 29th March and Executive Committee was appointed on April 6. The Executive Committee has arranged to approach various Trusts, Public bodies, Trading associations through special subcommittees and its authorised representatives. The work of making collections among these and among individuals will start forthwith. As announced previously, contributions were received in Calcutta during the visit of the Secretary to Calcutta in the last week of March. In Sind the work of collection has also been progressing during the last fortnight, both for the city of Karachi and for Hyderabad, Sukkur and other centres Provincial Committees have been formed for Sind, the Punjab, Kathiawar, Rajputana and Hyderabad (Deccan). Tickets of various denominations have been printed and bundles of tickets have been sent in response to requisition to Karachi, Hyderabad (Deccan), Hyderabad (Sind), Sukkur, Rajkot (Kathiawar), Lahore and Bhavnagar Committees. Lists of contributions will be shortly published in the papers all over the country.—United Press.

BENGAL KASTURBA COMMITTEE

CALCUTTA, April 13. The Kasturba Memorial Committee for Bengal was formed with Dr. B. C. Roy as President, Mr. J. M. Dutt as Secretary and the following as members: Dr. Shyamaprasad Mookerjee, Messrs. N. R. Sarkar, G. D. Birla, G. L. Mehta, D. N. Mookerjee, Basantalal Murarka, Probhudayal Himatsinghka, Bhagirath Kanoria, M. G. Bhagati, Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Suresh Chandra Muzumdar, Dr. K. S. Roy and Mrs S. C. Mookerjee.—United Press.

BENGAL MEDICAL RELIEF

Besides giving grants and clothings to thousands of destitutes through its own organisations and other relief bodies, Bengal Relief Committee has started, under Mrs. Kalyani Bhattacharje, an anti-disease department. This department is now running 90 centres with 64 doctors and 294 volunteers. In addition to distributing anti-malarial tablets and sick-diet, these centres have treated 431739 patients in 22 districts in three months.

Mrs. Kalyani Bhattacharje will soon start rehabilitation work in all the affected districts of Bengal under the direction and with the help of Dr. S. P. Mookerjee, Mr. B. Kanoria and Mr. Mulraj Mehta.

High Court Scheme For Deccan States

MIRAJ, April 13

According to the Joint High Court Scheme prepared by the Rt. Hon. Dr. M. R. Jayakar for Miraj (Sr. and Jr.), Kurundwad (Sr.), Phaltan, Jath, Jamkhandi, Saunur and Akalkot States, the High Court will consist of a Chief Judge and a Puisne Judge to be appointed from among retired High Court Judges or advocates or barristers of ten years' practice. The salary of the Chief Judge will be Rs. 3,000 per mensem and that of the Puisne Judge Rs. 1,500 per mensem. The tenure of both is to be five years. Whether the High Court should be permanently located in one central place or be a circuit court has not yet been decided. There will be a Board of Control consisting of all the Rulers of the States joining the Scheme. The Chairman of the Board will change by rotation.—United Press.

Gaikwad's New Race Horses

SYDNEY, April 13

A representative of the Maharajah Gaikwar of Baroda has bought six yearlings at sales here to race in Australia for 8,000 guineas. Four were by English horses including Golden Sovereign who won the New Market Stakes six years ago.

The two-day yearling sales established a Sydney record of two lots aggregating 1,47,305 guineas.—Reuter.

Cloth Merchants' Wire To Sjt. K. Thakarsee

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 13.

The President of the Cloth Merchants' Association of 1943 has sent a telegram to Sjt. Krishnaraj Thakersee requesting him to wait till the deputation of 1943 merchants meet for final decision regarding quota.

Samarth Cricket Cup

The final of the Samarth Cricket championship cup tournament was played on 7th and 8th April at the Esplanade Maidan between "B" Ward Rationing Office Sports Club and Bombay Suburban District Rationing Sports Club resulting in a win for the former by 192 runs. Thus in the first of the Tournament "B" Ward qualified itself as champions for the year 1944 and carried away the Trophy.

The prize distribution function of the tournament was held on the 9th April last at the Esplanade Maidan under the presidentship of Mr. A. D. Gorwala, Supply Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Finance Department (Supply)

Among the distinguished guests present were R. N. Samarth, Controller of Rationing, Mr. N. M. Wagle, Joint Controllor of Rationing, Mr. B. A. Korieshi, Officer on Special Duty, Mr. A. A Jasdanwala, Honorary Secretary Cricket Club of India, Mr. V. M. Merchant and Justice Rajadhyksha of Bombay High Court.

Mrs. Samarth distributed the following prizes to the players:—Wagle cup: Mr. B. T. Ahir of B. S. D. for highest individual score of 139 runs. Korieshi Cup: Mr. S. A. Kadri of "F" Ward (North) for highest number of wickets (8 wickets for 8 runs). Thakore Cup: Mr. E. G. Hans of "B" Ward for the highest batting average of 78.8 runs. Shringarpure Cup. Mr. E. G. Hans of "B" Ward for the best bowling average. (22 wickets for 73 runs. Average of 3.31).

CITY MARKETS

Bombay, April 13.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar was quietly steady with restricted turnover. Cotton Mill Shares found very small turnover and quotations moved within a narrow range. Buying and selling was comparatively active in Steel Shares, Tata Steel Dfds, opened at Rs. 2,005 and declined to Rs. 1,992, Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 394 and quietened at Rs. 392, Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 2,060 and sagged to Rs. 2,052, Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 680 and steadied at Rs. 679. Tone was barely steady

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

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BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross Rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and Forward Silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York Spot Silver was quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The Bank sold about one lakh tola of Gold at Rs. 74. The market opened at Rs. 74 and advanced to Rs. 75 on improved buying influenced by war news but later there was some realising and prices reacted to Rs. 74-12. The Forward Silver market was steady and prices openedd at Rs. 134-8 and advanced to Rs. 135 and later steadied at Rs. 134-12

The market was quietly steady. A section believes that daily sales of Gold by the Bank will result in a fair supply and demand will get satisfied in due course with the result that prices will work downward. Closing Quotations: Ready Silver Rs. 137-10, Forward Rs. 134-12, Ready Gold Rs. 74-14, Forward Rs. 74-14 Sovereigns Rs. 61-4.

COTTON: The local Cotton Market opened to-day at Rs. 436-12 for May delivery and declined to Rs. 434-12 on moderate selling Later on there was some covering and recovered to Rs. 436. Trading was restricted and general feeling remains uncertain.

There was scattered buying and May delivery improved to Rs. 437 on reports that the unfilled Government orders are still in force at the old limit. Later on there was some realising which checked improvement May steadied at Rs. 436/4. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:

I C C May Rs. 433/12; I C C July Rs. 446/4; I C C Sept Rs. 454.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

I C C May highest 438-1/2, lowest 435, closing 436, I C C July highest 451, lowest 448, closing 448-3/4, I C C September highest 458, lowest 456, closing 456-1/2.

COTTON ARRIVALS: Khandesh 94, Berar 867, Dholeras 1,730, Broach 9,776, Westerns 103, Egyptian 21,570, Total 34,140 Bales.

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton May Contract is below New York May 431 cent points at Exchange Rate 331.

READY COTTON QUOTATINS

Khandesh Jarilla New 270/310 Berar Jarilla New 375/390, 289 F Jarilla New 575/585, N T Jarilla New 525/535, 289 F Saw-ginned New 625/635.

COTTON ROOM RATES

Jarilla Extra Spr-fine 456, Sup 446 Fine 436, F Good 429, Broach Extra Spr-fine 441, Sup 436, Fine 431, F Good 426, Surti Extra Spr-fine 585, Sup 580, Fine 575 F Good 570, 4 F Pun.-American Extra Spr-fine 505, Sup 500, Fine 496, F Good 490, L S S Pun.-American Extra Spr-fine 540, Sup 535, Fine 530 F Good 525, 289 F Pun.-American Extra Spr-fine 595, Sup 590, Fine 585, F Good 580, Saw-Gd. 4 F Extra Spr-fine 530, Sup 525, Fine 520, F Good 515 Saw-Gd. L S S Extra Spr-fine 580, Sup 575, Fine 570, F Good 565, Saw-Gd. 289 F Extra Spr-fine 645, Sup 640, Fine 635, F Good 630 M G N T Extra Spr-fine 535, Sup 530, Fine 525, F Good 520, Saw-Gd. N T Sind-Ame. Extra Spr-fine 575, Sup 570, Fine 565, F Good 560.

N5W YORK COTTON MARKET

Further mill price-fixing and New Orleans buying met commission house liquidation and hedge selling which was attracted by the recent advance. The dullness of spot markets and uncertainty over developments abroad retarded activity. The market closed steady.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York April 12.

May 21.11, July 20.75+02, October 20.13—02, December 19.93—02, January 19.85—04, March 19.70—10, May highest 21.13+02 (11-37 a.m.) lowest 21.09—02 (10-7 a.m.)

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

May 21.25, July 20.85—03, October 20.15—04, December 19.94—06, January 19.84—06, March 19.69—10.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL

May 21.11, July 20.79 October 20.18.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. two crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 11th April 1944. Total amount offered was Rs 1,18 00,000 (Rupees one crore eighteen lakhs only). Tenders at Rs. 99/12/9 were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs 1,13,00,000 (Rupees one crore thirteen lakhs only), the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0/13/0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 18th April 1944 in Bombay upto 11 a.m. (S.T.) and upto the close of business on Monday the 17th April 1944 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 21st April 1944. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week-ended 7th April 1944 Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 7,27,50,000 (Rupees seven crores twenty-seven lakhs fifty thousand only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week-ended the 7th day of April 1944.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES:

Notes held in the Banking Department Rs. 10,09,52,000; Notes in circulation Rs. 893,63,53,000; Total Notes issued Rs. 903,73 05,000.

ASSETS:

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:

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M. S. Captain, Esq., (Chairman), Lachhmandas Harkhchanda Daga, Esq., K. R. P. Shroff, Esq., Vithaldas Kanji, Esq., B N. Karanjia, Esq., Ramdeo Anandilal Podar, Esq., Haridas Madhowdas, Esq., and Dinshaw D Romer, Esq.

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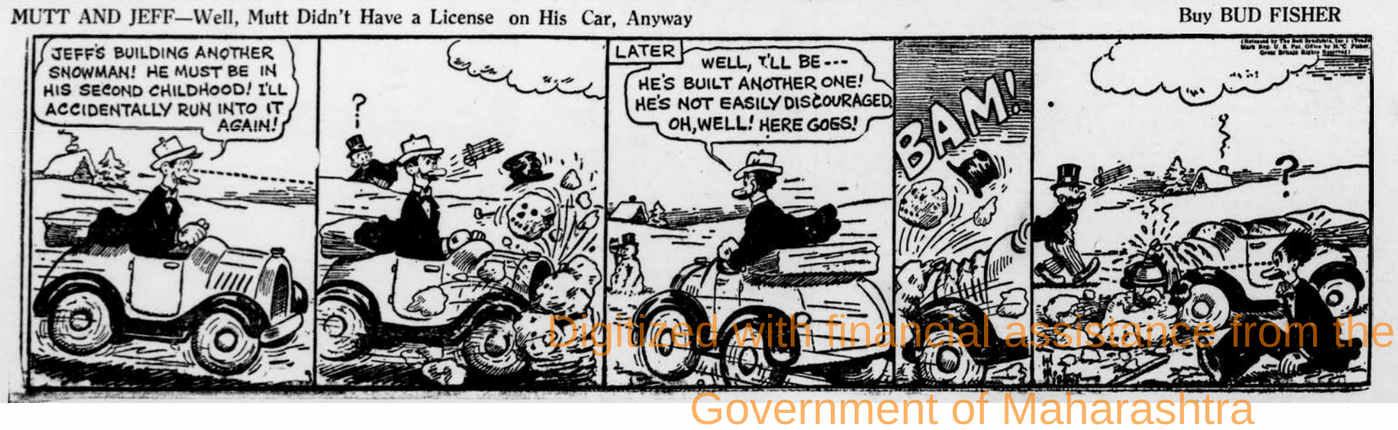
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Wanted an experienced Agriculturist to look after the farming department of a Stud Farm near Poona. A B.Ag., with previous experience of farming and who could also assist in general office work would be preferred. Apply giving full particulars and minimum salary expected to Box 8402 "Bombay Chronicle"

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142. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Hurry up! Forms for Senior Cambridge Examination being sent. Non-matriculates eligible. Mathematics, Second Language omissible. Oral|postal tuition. Tutorial College, Dhobitalao, Bombay. (4613)

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Wanted to purchase a power-driven Biscuit Factory with chain —oven (preferably gas) capacity minimum one ton a day. Apply Box No. 4606A, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Influential insurance executive desires contact with substantial capital investors for company floatation. Interested parties should write to Box No. 4632 "Bombay Chronicle."

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted experienced Travelling Agent to sell toilet goods. Apply 463, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4. Telephone 41175 (4627)

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A spacious Bungalow with electric light—For Sale at Borivli, very near station. Telephone No. 42721. (4607)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SHREE RAM MILLS, LIMITED BOMBAY.

RETAILERS, who are desirous of co-operating with us in our efforts to supply Goods directly to the public and act as authorised Dealers of the Shree Ram Mills are requested to apply for terms and conditions to the Mills direct at Ferguson Road, Lower Parel, Bombay. (8438)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

GOVERNMENT Announcements, Legal and Public Notifications are published in these columns at the rate of Rs. 12-0-0 per inch

NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS OF PETROL DRIVEN MOTOR VEHICLES AND MOTOR BOATS RESIDING IN THE BOMBAY REGION.

APPLICATIONS for the basic ration for the quarter, commencing from 1st May, 1944, are to be made in 'H' forms, obtainable free from the following distribution centres.

1. For owners of motor cars, motor cycles and motor boats, in the Shamiana, erected in the compound of the Motor Vehicles Department Office, Gymnasium Road, Off Cruickshank Road, Bombay, from 17th to 29th April 1944 (excluding Sundays and Public Holidays) between 10-30 a.m. and 2-30 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

2. For Municipalities, Ambulances, School Buses, Trade Numbers, Government Vehicles, Transport Vehicles, Taxis and Stage Carriages, applications should be submitted in the office of the Area Rationing Authority, Head Police Office, Bombay, from 17th to 29th April, 1944, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturdays.

Owners of Transport Vehicles and Taxis are informed that they should produce either 'A', 'B' or Temporary Permit and the Registration Certificates, together with applications in 'H' forms, duly filled in.

As usual, members of the Western India Automobile Association should apply to that Association.

Applications for supplementary ration for the quarter ending 31st July, 1944, may be made in 'K' forms, obtainable at the Area Rationing Office, Bombay, from 1st May, 1944, between 10-30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on week days and between 10-30 a.m. and 12 noon on Saturdays.

The attention of the motor owners is drawn to the fact that supplementary petrol coupons are stamped AND MADE VALID FOR A MONTH ONLY, though three months' ration is issued at a time.

In all cases, Registration Certificates must be produced together with the applications.

Owners are also informed that they must obtain their basic ration before the 29th April, 1944, as failing this, they are likely to be put to inconvenience and delay in receiving such ration later.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Owners of cars will be required when tendering coupons at petrol pumps to sign each coupon and enter the number and name of their motor vehicle thereon, in token of having received petrol. A notice is stamped on the front page of each coupon book, clearly defining the obligations of motor owners on handing in the coupons in token of having received petrol. This is being done to obviate any possible chance of persons possessing coupons to which they have no right.

Owners of motor vehicles residing in Thana, Kolaba and Ratnagiri Districts, are required to apply to the Area Rationing Authority, Konkan Region, Thana, for their ration.

E. SHEEHY,
Area Rationing Authority,
Bombay.

Area Rationing Office,
Bombay, 10th April, 1944. (8447)

CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, BOMBAY.

CANCELS his invitation to tender No. ESY|FLIP|620 for bamboos, bamboo splits and Bamboo matting. Notice for which appeared in this paper on the third instant. Tender fees will be refunded to those firms who have already purchased the tender form. (8452)

B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY
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WANTED MUSLIM and other minority community candidates to fill about 30 temporary posts of Coaching and Luggage Clerks, Scale Rs. 25|- per mensem while taking training in class, and Scale Rs. 30-4-50-5-60 when appointed as vacancies occur.

Candidates should not be less than 18 years and more than 25 years of age on the 1st of May, 1944 and they should be passed Matric.

Full particulars and form of application can be obtained from the District Traffic Superintendent, B.B. & C.I. Railway, Grant Road, on payment of one rupee by money-order. The application form duly filled in, together with the attested copies of certificates, should reach the District Traffic Superintendent's Office by the 22nd instant. Full name and address should be entered in block capital letters on money-order coupon.

Applicants should appear for an examination at 11.0 hours on the 26th instant at Bombay Central Station and for an interview at 11.0 hours on the 27th instant in the District Traffic Superintendent's Office, Grant Road, at their own cost. Payment of the prescribed fee for the application form is no guarantee for an appointment, and in no circumstances will this fee be returned. (8424)

PUBLIC NOTICES.

NOTICE
THE WESTERN INDIA MATCH COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Indian Mercantile Chambers, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, at 12-45 p.m. (S.T.) on THURSDAY, the 4th day of May, 1944, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1943.
2. To declare a dividend and a bonus.
3. To elect two Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly.
4. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration for the ensuing year.
5. To transact any other business which may be placed before the meeting by the Chairman

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th day of April, 1944 to the 13th day of May 1944 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
STEN SUNDGREN,
Joint Managing Director.

6th April, 1944
Indian Mercantile Chambers,
Nicol Road, Ballard Estate,
BOMBAY.

The dividend and bonus when declared will be payable at the Central Bank of India Ltd., Bombay on and after the 10th day of May, 1944 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 28th day of April 1944 and warrants will be posted in due course to each shareholder at his registered address. (8446)

LOSS OF SHARE CERTIFICATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate in respect of 10 Shares bearing Nos. 20506|10 and 21966|70 (BOTH INCLUSIVE) of The Sassoon Spg. & Wvg. Co., Ltd., standing in the name of Ramnath Balaram Bhagat have been lost or mislaid, and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue duplicate Share Certificate for the said Shares. Any person who may have any claim on or interest in the said Share Certificate should notify to and lodge such claim with the said Company at its Registered Office at Maneckji Wadia Building, 125, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within one month from the date hereof, after which no claim will be considered and the Company will issue duplicate Share Certificates.

RAMNATH BALARAM BHAGAT,
Name of Shareholder.
Bombay, dated 17th March, 1944. (8458)

LOSS OF TEMPORARY SHARE TRANSFER RECEIPT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Temporary Share Transfer Receipt No. 991|992 in respect of 20 Shares bearing Nos. 11321|25, 11326|30, 14012|21 (BOTH INCLUSIVE) of the Sassoon & Alliance Silk Mill Co., Ltd., standing in the name of our client Tarabai Khubchand and Navinchandra Manilal have been lost or mislaid, and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue duplicate Temporary Share Transfer receipt for the said Shares. Any person who may have any claim on or interest in the said Temporary Share Transfer Receipt should notify to and lodge such claim with the said Company at its Registered Office at Maneckji Wadia Building, 125, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within one month from the date hereof, after which no claim will be considered and the Company will issue duplicate Temporary Share Transfer Receipt.

KANTILAL J. SHAH,
Name of Broker.
Bombay, dated, 13-4-44. (8453)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai JERBAI JEHANGIRJI SHROFF, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client free from all encumbrances.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same if any will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece of land of Pension and Tax Tenure together with the buildings thereon situate at Vanka Moholla near Chira Bazar in the City, Island and Registration Sub-District of Bombay bearing Collector's Old No. 225 New No. 1719, Old Survey No. 226. New Survey No. 162 and Cadastral Survey No. 722 of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Bombay Municipality under "C" Ward No 3201, Street No. 1, Vanka Moholla.

Dated this 14th day of April, 1944.

MAZAGONWALLA, & CO.,
(8450) Purchaser's Attorneys.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE

ATTENTION IS DRAWN to the Preliminary Special and Common Jury Lists, published in the "Bombay Government Gazette", Part II, Pages 298 to 326, dated the 13th April, 1944.

Suggestions for alterations or corrections in the said Lists should be sent in writing to the Clerk of the Crown or to the undersigned on or before the 20th instant.

SHANTIDAS ASKURAN,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 13th April, 1944. (8459)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client BINDIGANAVALE GARUD ACHARYA has contracted to purchase the undermentioned property from Waghjibhai Gulabchand Mehta. Any person or persons having any interest in or claim to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Whiteaway Laidlaw Building, 2nd floor, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise he, she or they will be precluded from making the same and such claim, if any shall be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land of the Pension and Tax tenure situate, lying and being at Mahim, without the Fort of Bombay and in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 2115 sq. yards and 2|3 yards of another sq. yard or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 313 New No. 4024 Old Survey No. 11 and New Survey No. 2|1537 together with the messuage tenement or buildings standing thereon assessed by the Bombay Municipality under G Ward No. 4740 (1-2) and formerly Street No. 69 but now Street Nos. 188 and 188B Cadell Road and which premises are bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the East by the Mahim Bazaar Road known as Cadell Road on or towards the West by the Sea shore, on or towards the North by the property of Allarakhia Haji Jakaria known as "Ferndale" and on or towards the South by the property of Mrs. C. Wasoodev known as "Bay House' and in the occupation of Canonian Convent of the Sacred Heart. The above property bears Cadastral Survey No. 675 of Mahim Division.

Dated this 14th day of April 1944.

PATELL & EZEKIEL,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (8448)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN on behalf of our clients Messrs. PATEL BOBBINS & ENGINEERING WORKS that they are carrying on business under the firm name and style of Messrs. Patel Bobbins and Engineering Works at Connaught Cross Road, Reay Road, Bombay, and that one Mr. Naranbhai Govindlal Parikh, who was a partner in their firm, has retired from the said firm as from the 1st day of April, 1944.

Dated this 13th day of April, 1944.

DESAI & CO.,
Attorneys for Messrs. Patel Bobbins & Engineering Works. (8449)

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS AT UNCLAIMED GOODS OFFICE, WADI BUNDER, G.I.P. RAILWAY.

Under instructions from G.I.P. Railway and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act IX of 1890, Messrs. Bennett & Co., will sell by Public Auction on FRIDAY, the 28th April, 1944, at 12 Noon (New S.T.) at the above place unclaimed goods including:

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Terms:—Full amount or 50% deposit and balance to be paid and delivery to be taken on or before 6-5-1944.

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BONAFIDE SALE

Of Exquisite Household Furniture by John Roberts & Wimbridge, Cocktail Cabinet, English Glassware, Crockery, etc.

M|s. CRAWFORD & CO., will sell by auction on SUNDAY, 16th April, 1944, at 11 A.M. (N.S.T.) at their rooms at 122, Apollo St. Fort, Modern Drawing & Bedroom Suits and Mirror and Paneldoor Cupboards by John Roberts, Jacobean Diningroom suit by Wimbridge, Carved Blackwood Furniture, Cutglass Cocktail set and Cabinet, 8 days clock. Glassware, Crockery, Carpet and other personal effects. On view from 10th.

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CRAWFORD & CO.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

Summary Suit No. 1591 of 1942

Messrs: CHATRAJI BHURMAL & CO., a registered firm of Shroffs and Money-Lenders, carrying on business at Dubash Building, Vithalbhai Patel Road, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Plaintiffs.

Versus

Dr. D. G. NADKARNI, a Medical Practitioner, residing at Wasiamul Building, Opposite Babulnath Temple, Chawpati, outside the Fort of Bombay .... Defendant.

To,
Dr. D. G. NADKARNI,
The Defendant abovenamed.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs have instituted this suit against you for Rs. 5,500|- and interest, costs and interest on Judgment. You are hereby summoned to cause an Appearance to be entered in the above cause within ten days from the date of the publication of this notice, in default whereof the Plaintiffs will be entitled thereafter to obtain a Decree against you for any sum not exceeding Rs. 5,500|- with interest, and costs as aforesaid. If you cause an Appearance to be entered, the Plaintiffs will thereafter serve upon you a Summons for Judgment, at the hearing of which, you will be entitled to ask the Court for Leave to Defend the suit.

Dated this 14th day of April, 1944.

DAMKEVALA & CO.,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys. (8451)

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLEARED CARGOES OF THE B.P.T. DOCKS.

In accordance with Sec. 64 of the Bombay Port Trust Acts of 1879 and as from time to time amended under instructions from the Manager, Bombay Port Trust, Docks MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 18th April, 1944, at 2-30 p.m. at Alexandra Docks (Sale Warehouse), 633 Tea, Electric Goods; Cylinders; Chemicals; Hardware; Copper sheets; Wire; Drums oil; Asbestos; pipefittings, &c.

MENESSE & CO.

SALE ON SATURDAY, the 15th April, 1944, at 4-30 P.M. on the premises of the property of a valuable immovable property at Kurla, Old Agra Road, opposite Kurla Mill; under instructions from Bai Pirojbai D. Mistry and A. F. Sunawalla, Esq., executrix and executor of the Will of the late Mr. Dinshawji Jamasji Mistry:—Khote land admeasuring about 5,000 sq. yards and recently found on actual measurement about 5,661.44 sq. yards with dwelling houses, structures situate at Kurla, opposite Kurla Mill bearing original Survey No. 213 and Falni No. 9 and Kurla Municipality formerly No. 285 to 291 and now new Mill Ward Nos. 322 to 327 and bears no entry number.

The property consists of 5 chawls besides there is a good area of vacant land which can be developed by erecting buildings or Cinema.

Further particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained from Messrs. Smetham, Byrne & Lambert, Jehangir Wadia Building, 51, Esplanade Road or from the undersigned.

SALE TO-DAY.

THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY, at North Brook Street or Third Kumbharwada Street, bearing Street Nos. 164-168 belonging to the estate of Bai Mariambai daughter of Haji Shariff Bawa under instructions from Messrs. Nagindas Hooseinally & Co., Attorneys for Umar Haji Ebrahim and others heirs and legal representatives of the Estate of Bai Mariambai will take place to-day at 4-30 P.M. at the premises of the property as previously advertised in Bombay Chronicle of the 5th instant.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
123, Medows Street,
Bombay.

MRS. ANOPHELES—PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1

Malaria, one of the most dreaded, and yet most common diseases in our country, causes over 3 million deaths every year. Various complications, resulting from repeated attacks, render miserable even a larger number of people.

Yet the cause of Malaria is attributed exclusively to one type of mosquito—the Anopheles—and what is more, to the female species only. This pest, after sucking the blood of malarial persons, conveys the germs to others, and thus spreads the disease.

These mosquitoes breed in stagnant pools; to exterminate them, the first attack must be launched here. Fill up, drain away, or disinfect these water haunts. Circumvent Mrs. Anopheles by sleeping under a mosquito net whenever possible.

If, even then, you fall a victim to Malaria, consult a qualified doctor immediately, both for your own sake, and to prevent the spread of infection.

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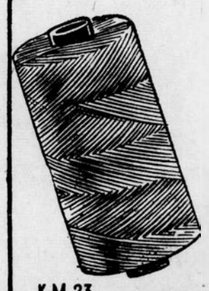

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